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## Surprise!

Left, Melissa Stephens laughs, responding to ribbing by choir member Doug Mitchell during the surprise ceremony to recognize her 25th anniversary as the Haliburton United Church's choir leader Sunday, April 10. More on page 41. Darren Lum Echo staff

# Private boys' school coming to Haliburton

Jenn Watt  
Editor

Peter Thyrring's life has always been intertwined with the Highlands.

It started when he was a boy, coming to Haliburton's cottage country.

As an adult, he taught at Hockey Haven and started the All-Canadian Hockey School.

When he launched his private boys' Catholic school in Toronto 20 years ago it was clear where he'd take the kids for the hockey component of their physical education.

Now Thyrring is weaving himself and his school even deeper into the Highland fabric, moving St. Peter's ACHS College School to this county in September.

"We want this for Haliburton. There's no private schools up there other than the one up at Medeba," said Thyrring, who is the school's headmaster.

His school is also unique because it is Catholic, sports-oriented and just for boys between Grade 1 and 8.

Thyrring already brings the boys from his Vaughan-based school to Haliburton for paintball camp and hockey and he said the driving

back and forth could be eliminated with this move.

"It makes sense to have everything there in Haliburton. Why not? There's opportunity there, there's potential there, it's a good thing," Thyrring said.

Cost was a major factor in the move.

"[The move] is saving us money," he said. "Everything [in the city] is so ridiculously expensive."

The plan is to run the school out of Pinestone Resort on County Road 21 for now.

Thyrring isn't sure if that's the long-term location, but is pleased by the resort's response to his

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# Missing person located in park

On Thursday, April 7, at approximately 6:05 p.m. the Bancroft detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police received the report of man lost in Silent Lake Provincial Park in the Municipality of Highlands East.

Members of Bancroft OPP, East Region Emergency Response Team (ERT) and the OPP canine unit attended the area and conducted a search.

The 22-year-old male of Ashburn, Ont. was located at approximately 10:40 p.m. in good condition.

## Save a life

The Heart and Stroke Foundation, in partnership with Haliburton County EMS, the Municipality of Algonquin Highlands and Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 is making it easy for Haliburton County residents to learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

There are two free public CPR skills and AED awareness events taking place. The first will be held on Thursday, May 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Dorset Recreational Centre located at 1051 Main Street in Dorset. To register, contact Melissa Alfano at 705-766-9968 or drc@algonquinhighlands.ca. The second session will take place on Thursday, May 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Branch 129 located at 719 Mountain Street in Haliburton. To register, contact Maureen Brown at 705-457-1616

Participants who register will receive a free Heart and Stroke Foundation CPR Anytime™ Family & Friends™ kit (valued at \$40, one per family). Everyone who completes the course will receive a CPR participation card.

According to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, approximately 45,000 sudden cardiac arrests occur each year, the majority of which occur either at home or in public places. In Ontario alone, approximately 7,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur annually. For every minute that passes without help, a person's chance of surviving a cardiac arrest drops by seven per cent to 10 per cent. Learning CPR is easy and inexpensive and it could mean saving the life of a friend or family member. When defibrillation is applied with CPR in the first few minutes, it can dramatically improve cardiac arrest victim's chance of survival by up to 75 per cent.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada sets the Canadian guidelines for CPR, defibrillation and other aspects of emergency cardiovascular care in Canada. This free CPR training clinic is sponsored by the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario in partnership with Haliburton County EMS, the Municipality of Algonquin Highlands and Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129.



## HHHSF purchases new lift for Hyland Wood

Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation campaign co-chair Don Popple, centre, tries out a new electronic bath lift at Highland Wood on April 5.

At a cost of \$8,500, the bath lift was recently purchased by the foundation through the equipment fund. The next item on the priority list for the foundation are X-ray machines.

From back left, Dale Walker, HHHSF executive director, Marlene Robinson, personal support worker, Glenda Tripp, personal support worker and Jennifer Castaldi, registered nurse.

Angelica Blenich Echo staff

## Calling for annual Enviro-Hero award nominations

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is now accepting nominations for the fourth annual Enviro-Hero awards. These awards serve to recognize and celebrate environmental excellence within our community and are presented at the annual Wild about Nature Gala (June 18 at Camp Wanakita).

Winners receive a specially designed award by renowned artist, Mary Anne Barkhouse, Nimpkish band, Kwakiutl First Nation and member of the land trust's board of directors.

An Enviro-Hero is an individual, business or organization who has made a major contribution to the protection and sustainability of our natural resources and environment through education, stewardship, healthy living, "green" business or the arts in Haliburton County.

Every year, a distinguished panel of judges selects the winners in each of six categories. This year, the land trust thanks its 2011 judging panel: Barb Bolin, founding principal of the Haliburton Campus of Fleming College; Carol Moffatt, Reeve of Algonquin Highlands and Dianne Mathes, vice-chairwoman, Haliburton Highlands Land Trust for their generous donation of time.

Nominations can be made in the following categories:

**Health:** a person or organization whose environmental activities promote, exemplify or result in health lifestyles;

**Stewardship:** a person, landowner or organization that has provided leadership in conserving and protecting our water, forests, flora, fauna or mineral resources;

**Education:** a person or organization that has effectively organized and delivered environmental education opportunities for children, youth or adults;

**Business:** a business or non-profit organization that has excelled in developing "green" business practices and/or providing "green" products/services that protect the environment;

**The Arts:** an artist who has produced a body of work that celebrates our natural environment; and

**Youth:** a student up to 18 years of age who has demonstrated a commitment to the protection and sustainability of our natural resources and environment through education, stewardship, healthy living or the arts.

Nominations opened Monday, March 28 and close Friday, May 6.

Nomination forms (and more information) can be obtained by calling HHLT at 705-454-8107 or email admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca or at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca.

## Correction

An article in last week's *Echo* incorrectly stated that 60,000 copies of the Haliburton County Destination Guide were distributed to tourism kiosks. The guide is distributed throughout the county in a variety of ways.

The article also stated the number of advertisers and pages in this year's publication increased however this was not the case.

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# Haliburton man guilty of sex assaults

**Fiona Isaacson**  
Special to the *Echo*

A Haliburton man who said he “could get tons of girls” was found guilty Monday of sexually assaulting four young women on the same night in 2008, including forcing intercourse on his last victim.

In all four cases, Mr. Justice Chris Corkery said he “didn’t believe James Keefer’s evidence.”

Keefer, formerly of Havelock, testified during his judge-alone trial that he has “a little saying: Fair’s fair. You grab me, I grab you.”

Four young women were the targets of Keefer’s unwelcome sexual advances during a night of partying in Cavan Monaghan Township in 2008. Keefer’s night ended after he forced intercourse on a young woman who was sleeping.

The assault lasted just a few minutes because Keefer heard his then-girlfriend’s voice and left without saying a word. Keefer testified he “didn’t want to get caught.”

Friends found the victim, curled up in a ball, crying hysterically, after what Keefer claimed was consensual intercourse. Corkery said he believed the victim’s testimony including that she tried to say no.

Corkery also said he believed when the victim testified she tried to push the much-larger Keefer off her and that “she honestly thinks that he didn’t notice.”

The other sexual assaults Keefer committed were rubbing one woman’s thighs and later telling her “you’re going to let me look” as he tried to unbutton her shirt, placing his hands on another woman’s hips and putting his hand down another woman’s pants.

“There was no reason whatsoever that he needed to touch her the way he did,” Corkery said about one of the other victims. “She had no reason whatsoever to make these allegations against Mr. Keefer.”

Keefer was found not guilty of a fifth count of sexual assault – he was accused of groping another woman’s breast and kissing her neck. Corkery said the woman’s memory gaps and as well as alcohol consumption creates “reasonable doubt.”

All five women testified during the trial.

Keefer didn’t react as the verdicts were read on April 11.

After meeting with his lawyer, David McFadden, for about half an hour, Keefer exited the courthouse accompanied by his parents.

Keefer, 36, was also found guilty of one count of breach of probation.



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

A model of a potential Haliburton recreation facility on display at the Dysart library in Haliburton.

## In search of a sustainable pool

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

There are many visions for what a recreation complex would look like if one were to be built in Haliburton County.

For Trent University students Ryan Cant and Jaime Noble the complex would be green.

On April 7 Cant and Noble presented their findings on sustainable technology, conducted through a research project, at the Dysart library.

In conjunction with U-Links, Cant and Noble set out to research sustainable, or “green,” options for the construction and operation of a recreational facility complete with an indoor swimming pool in Haliburton County.

The first step of the project included searching out an ideal location for such a facility within the county.

Some of the proposed sites included next to the Minden community centre, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and the Haliburton Fish Hatchery. After researching various sites the most suitable location, said Cant and Noble, would be next to the high school.

Challenges with finding an ideal location, said Noble, revolved around geographic distances within the county and the lack of public transit.

“We came up with the idea that those farther away from the facility could get a discounted membership,” said Noble.

While compiling their research Noble and Cant looked at other, similar projects located in Peterborough, LaSalle and Newcastle.

Design elements such as a green roof, natural lighting and straw bale construction were just some of the features consid-

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**Those farther away from the facility could get a discounted membership.**

— *Jaime Noble, student*

ered for such a facility. Cant also explained different heating and cooling methods that could be considered, such as passive solar and solid oxide fuel cell technology.

The students also discussed different filtration systems that could be applied to a pool, including chlorine, salt water and ultra-violet.

Following the presentation, the students were applauded on the hard work and effort they put into compiling the research.

“You’ve done a lot of work and given us lots of valuable information,” said Gay Bell, chairperson of the County Swimming Pool Initiative.

David Baillie, a local contractor and member of Environment Haliburton, believed the project was overlooking a few key factors.

“Most of the technologies that you’re proposing don’t come from here, meaning we’d be importing all the people who do the building so all the money would leave,” said Baillie. “That’s not good.” The project was compiled over a time period of two months, during which Cant and Noble spent approximately 20 hours constructing models of proposed recreational facilities.

A final project report will be made available on the U-Links website near the end of April.



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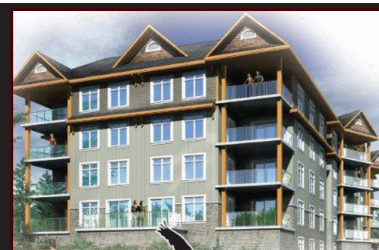
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# Meeting puts Devolin on defensive

Jenn Watt  
Editor

The story of Wednesday night's all-candidates' meeting was all in the body language.

At one end of the table, incumbent Conservative Barry Devolin sat in front of a packed crowd at Haliburton's Fleming College looking stern and a little on-edge, feet crossed under his chair.

From the other end, competitor Liberal Laura Redman threw barbs at Devolin, often gesturing in his direction, moving impatiently in her chair as she spoke.

Between them, in signature orange and green, NDP Lyn Edwards and Green candidate Susanne Lauten sat very still, smiling often.

The evening played out like a national leaders' debate with Devolin sitting back, taking criticism and measuring his responses while the three other candidates took turns pulling apart his party's history and his personal record.

"This week, Barry Devolin renewed his personal attack on my character in a 900-word letter to the editor. ... I'm not going to stoop to Mr. Devolin's level because this is not a legitimate attack on my personal integrity," Redman said



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Federal election candidates square off during an all-candidates' debate held on April 13 at Fleming College in Haliburton. From left, Conservative MP Barry Devolin, NDP candidate Lyn Edwards, Green Party candidate Susanne Lauten and Liberal candidate Laura Redman.



**This week Barry Devolin renewed his personal attack on my character. ... I'm not going to stoop to Mr. Devolin's level.**

— Liberal candidate Laura Redman

in her opening statement April 13, referring to a letter to constituents on Devolin's website raising issue with her actions while managing editor of the *County Voice*.

Redman was highly critical of the Conservative government throughout the evening, referencing a scandal involving the prime minister's former aide; the defunding of international development organization Kairos; and government secrecy on the purchase of fighter jets, among other things.

Lauten and Edwards joined in the pummeling occasionally, but with less vigour.

On the Trent-Severn Waterway, Lauten criticized the government's "merry-go-round" of environment ministers.

"We have had a new environment minister every few months it seems. Most recently our minister of national parks is Peter Kent," Lauten said.

"This is a man who was a news reader. He is ... continuing that role."

Edwards's most passionate moment came when a member of the audience brought up the F35 fighter jet purchase.

"I'm in no way going to support these F35s. ... I know the current government didn't want us to look at [the contracts] ... so it's very hard for us to make plans. The NDP is not going to support those F35s," she said to audience applause.

Gauging from audience reaction and the types of questions posed at the public microphone, the majority out that evening were displeased with the Conservative government or Devolin specifically.

Questions ranged from agriculture policy to crime prevention to Aboriginal rights.

For his part, Devolin focused on his constituency work and time spent one-on-one with members of the riding.

Asked about his decision to move from Haliburton to Ottawa, Devolin said he did it for his family.

"What I was finding was that Parliament sits from September to June most of that time and in Ottawa we sit five days a week and consequently I was in Ottawa four or five nights a week most of the time and at home with my family two or three nights a week," he said.

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## What they said

Candidate responses to questions from the audience

### What is your party's policy on local meat processing?

Edwards: "Our commitment would be to change what's there and put the right policies in place to keep you in business. The policies are in place to calm the fears of our neighbours ... it has done damage to our local farmers."

Lauten: "We support local abattoirs. We don't believe animals should be travelling long distances to slaughterhouses."

Redman: "The Liberal party is proposing to bring farmers to the table and start building new agricultural policy from the farm up, not Ottawa down."

Devolin: "As a society we want high standards for food safety. When we raise standards they place costs and burdens on these facilities.... It is something we need to look at and is a real problem."

### What is your party's position on making our communities safer?

Devolin: "We have implemented a youth/gang strategy in Canada. ... I wouldn't say getting tough on crime is the whole answer, but I do think that a lot of Canadians are demanding when someone does a serious crime that there are consequences."

Edwards: "Putting people in prison just makes more criminals and isn't the solution. We need more police officers on the street ... we do need to have prevention measures put in place. What is causing the crime? Why are these crimes being committed? ... Poverty is often the underlying cause."

Lauten: "The Green party believes in crime prevention. ... The Green party wants to allocate more money to the municipalities so they can put an indoor rollerskating rink in a town like we used to have, give kids something to do."

Redman: "We need to start addressing the social determinants of crime. ... We need to start addressing the poverty issues ... We know that the penal system does not work. ... We do need more front line police officers."

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# Marijuana decriminalization debate surprises

**Lisa Gervais**  
Special to the *Echo*

The four federal candidates for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock probably didn't expect a debate on the decriminalization of marijuana when they attended a tea social at the Olympia restaurant in Lindsay last week.

After all, they were meeting the Old Friends, New Friends group, which comprises women between the ages of 40 to 80.

However, one of them, closer to the octogenarian-age group than the 40s, lobbed the controversial question like a tennis ball into the air. Brenda O'Keefe fixed her stare on Conservative candidate Barry Devolin and wanted to know why his party had not decriminalized marijuana.

Devolin said that he personally was not in favour of decriminalizing marijuana. "It is not a path I want my kids going down or people going down," he said. He added that legalizing marijuana and taxing it was "not the right way to go" and there would be "more problems than what we have to deal with now."

A younger member of the audience, Keri Burnett, thought that decriminalizing marijuana would help to lower crime rates and controlling it could bring it into the Canadian economy, saying there are not enough jobs in Canada. She added there were issues such as medicinal use of marijuana. "There's a lot more to it than 'you smoke weed, you go down a bad road,'" she said.

NDP candidate Lyn Edwards jumped in saying her concern is who would control the sale of marijuana and "I don't want people blitzed out all the time." However,

speaking personally and not on behalf of the party, Edwards said that marijuana for medicinal purposes should be looked into.

Liberal candidate Laura Redman said her issue with marijuana is the underground economy. "Absolutely we should be legislating it and controlling it." She also backed more policing.

Green party candidate Susanne Lauten told the story of a Haliburton man in his 60s, with MS and confined to a wheelchair, who smokes marijuana for pain relief. She said he was recently arrested and charged so thinks millions of dollars are being wasted on policing marijuana. Lauten candidly admitted to trying marijuana on her 40th birthday, during a "pot luck party" and told the ladies it affected her less than a glass of wine. "It is much to do about nothing."

During the first appearance by all four candidates, Redman demonstrated that she would have no problem going after Devolin.

When the candidates were asked to discuss one issue, Devolin talked at length about his private members' bill aimed at getting a few countries to accept North Korean refugees when they have been sent back from China.

Redman said she thought there were local issues that needed an MP's attention. She talked about a family living in a van around Christmas time, one fourth of children living in poverty locally and an affordable housing crisis. Earlier she told the story of running into a young junior kindergarten student in Lindsay who told her that the best part about going to school was "I get to eat."

"If that's what school represents in this

riding we have a lot of work to do."

Lauten complained about international "corporate raiders" coming after the area's

natural resources and Edwards spoke on social justice and keyed in on the need for a long-gun registry.

## People afraid of Harper majority, Lauten says

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"My shuffling back and forth remains pretty much the same, the difference is I'm alone here two or three nights a week and I'm with my wife and kids the rest of the time."

Redman didn't think that was good enough and pledged she would do better, if elected.

"My supportive spouse is prepared to take on that role [caring for the children] and is not expecting me to uproot my children or him to change their lives because I am seeking this role. It is well known that it comes with the turf," she said.

Take-home messages from the candidates included promises of new spending and better social programs without tax hikes.

"The current federal and provincial governments are doing nothing but making your life more expensive," Edwards said. "The government is making their friends rich while you are being pushed into pov-

erty. That is plain wrong."

"People are afraid. Afraid of losing their jobs, afraid of losing their pensions. ... What people are most afraid of is that Stephen Harper will win a majority in the next election," Lauten said.

"This election is indicating two clear choices. You can support the Conservatives; the largest spending, the largest borrowing government in Canadian history [or you can vote for a] progressive Liberal government [with] a plan to strengthen families, support small business and protect our health care without raising taxes," Redman said.

Devolin closed the evening by stressing his advocacy role.

"Whoever becomes the MP on May 2, [constituency work is] going to be more than half of the job," he said.

"It has been an honour to serve as a member of Parliament for this riding for almost seven years. It's not always an easy job, but it is fascinating," he said.

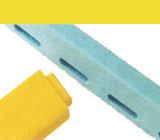
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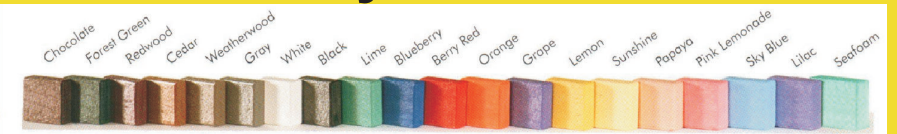
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# points of view

## Localizing the debate

**W**EDNESDAY'S all-candidates' meeting was too much about fighter jets and not enough about job creation.

Too much about nuclear reactors and not enough about affordable housing.

Too much global and not enough local.

The feisty debate at Fleming College April 13 kept the 200-plus-member audience from fidgeting as the four federal candidates faced off, responding primarily to audience questions.

The mood was immediately adversarial, specifically between incumbent Barry Devolin and Liberal candidate Laura Redman, who was highly critical of Devolin and the Conservative party he represents.

Devolin mostly defended himself and his party, obviously trying to stay above the fray as Redman and the other two candidates, Green Susanne Lauten and NDP Lyn Edwards lobbed more criticism his way.

The crowd itself was heavily liberal (with a small L) and their questions reflected this viewpoint, with two about Aboriginal issues, a couple on agriculture and some concern about Japan's nuclear disaster.

All valid concerns and necessary for our country's decision-makers to address, but at a local all-candidates' meeting you hope for a few more community-oriented questions.

The candidates, to their credit, did bring up poverty, housing and jobs as issues facing the riding in 2011, but audience members didn't latch on to these issues.

Likewise, when asked about big picture issues, such as corrections reform or health-care spending, candidates didn't automatically bring local examples into their responses.

It left a lot unanswered.

How would the federal government go about funding housing for our county's poor?

How are we going to attract more jobs to our small, strongly seasonal economy?

How is our working class population going to cope with rising food and gas costs as the months go by?

Now that we know what to do with our fighter jets, let's focus on how to get groceries on our tables.

## Poll results

Last week's poll was: could a good argument sway your vote from your favourite candidate? Respondents were almost equally split with 48 per cent saying they'd change their vote if they heard a good argument and 52 per cent saying their minds were made up.

This week's question: what do you think of the local election campaign's tone? Go to [www.haliburtonecho.ca/poll](http://www.haliburtonecho.ca/poll) to vote.



**Jenn Watt**  
Editor



**Cloudy reflections (of the sky on Head Lake)**

photo by Darren Lum

## Lawn gobblers

**W**ITH TURKEY SEASON just around the corner, most hunters are scouting fields to find birds. This is a fundamental error. They should be looking for them on front lawns.

This was proven to me as I was driving back from a field normally filled with birds. That place was devoid of gobblers, but the front lawn I just passed held several hens and two magnificent gobblers. It was typical of what a hunter can expect in the pre-season – namely turkeys strutting their stuff among the garden gnomes.

So what are they doing there?

The answer probably has something to do with the way a small, walnut-sized brain functions. That's right; if we had bigger brains – say the size of an avocado pit – we probably wouldn't ask that question.

But we do, so we are constantly disappointed to find that they don't always want to hang out in the middle of fields like we're told they should. Instead they have discovered that front lawns right beside the road provide sanctuary.

It's never just any front lawn, mind you.

No, it's typically the front lawn of a person that you have just described the legendary wariness of a wild turkey to. That person, often a non-hunter, wonders why any sane person would get dressed up in camouflage and sit in a cold damp field before the sun is up, only to mess with dreadful sounding calls and rubber

birds. That person thinks that the wild turkeys you hunt are tame and you are nuts.

Without sounding alarmist or paranoid, I think what we are seeing here is a public relations campaign that is being waged by super-intelligent wild turkeys. They know that they have to win the hearts and minds of non-turkey hunters. And they do so by visiting them and putting on heart-warming displays of affection every morning.

There, I said it.

So long as these birds continue to visit front lawns in

this manner, their reputation for being difficult to hunt is in jeopardy – and we hunters appear silly. People will not believe us when we tell them that a wild turkey is, in fact, the more difficult and challenging bird to hunt.

What can we do about it?

Oh sure, the shorter hunters among us can dress up as garden gnomes and terrorize these crafty flocks until they return to their rightful places in the fields – but, as I found out, this is a risky proposition that's often very difficult to explain.

No, a better way, is to drive by and yell, "Happy Thanksgiving!" or "Hey, I've got some cranberry sauce!" or some other phrase that strikes sheer terror into the cold heart of a wild turkey. Perhaps then, they'll know we mean business.

In the meantime, go scout your fields. At least, that's part of the natural order of things. Just do yourself a favour – keep your eyes on the road on the way back.



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# points of view

## Farm spring

**H**E TRIED TO TUNE OUT the uproar beside him. But it wasn't easy. His sisters were arguing over something really stupid and their high-pitched whines beside him in the backseat were hard to ignore. So Andrew stared out the car window, taking in the passing landscape.

When they had set out there had been vehicles on all sides, a jumble of commercial properties and the inanimate sweep of hard, cold highway. That had gradually given way to open space and smaller simpler businesses beside a two lane highway. Ahead waited the farm, their refuge from the busy noisy place they lived most of the time.



**Sharon Lynch**  
Down our Road

Once the car turned onto the dirt side road, Andrew's sisters finally stopped their bickering. Everyone loved going to the farm. Cedars crowded the shoulders beyond which spread the black spring earth dotted by an occasional patch of ancient snow. The side road was soft and heaving and Andrew's father wondered aloud if they would be able to drive down the laneway to the house or have to walk the rest of the muddy way.

As they reached the crest of the hill, Andrew sucked in his breath. There was the pond filled with spring runoff as it was only this time of year. Small waves rippled across its blue-reflecting surface. Elms and shorter willows rimmed its edges and Andrew knew without seeing or hearing them that the red-winged blackbirds would have returned. Beyond the pond the orchard waited for blossoms that were still weeks away. And surveying it all was the barn, the garage, the machine shed and lastly, the old log house.

Despite its years, the old place still looked pretty good to Andrew. He knew his parents would find mouse droppings in the kitchen, maybe a dead sparrow beside the old fireplace and perhaps a broken pane of glass of mysterious origin. But the same smell of wood smoke, cinnamon and ancient quilts would greet him when he stepped over the threshold.

They were able to drive close to the kitchen porch door, the fields falling away on either side and white puffs of clouds racing across an immaculately blue sky. After helping to carry in boxes of food and cleaning supplies, he and his sisters were free to don rubber boots and check out the barn and environs.

Later his father would take a burlap bag from the barn and dig into the barnyard, filling the bag with rich old manure for their mother's city flower bed. The decomposed manure would come apart in black oily slabs as his father hoisted up the shovel.

Andrew's mom wasted no time in bringing the old kitchen range to life. Every fall she made sure to leave dry wood beside it for their first spring visit. Steaming canned pea soup, crusty buttered bread and sweet milky tea kept them going until later when the simmering beef stew would be their supper.

After his parents had finished a second cup of tea, they all drove over to his mom's cousin Darius, on the farm several properties down the road. This was one of Andrew's favourite pastimes. While the adults sat in the farmhouse kitchen, talking acreage and who knew what else, Andrew and his sisters were allowed to walk around the pasture beside the house where sheep cropped the first green spring shoots.

Like stuffed toys come to life, lambs were everywhere. White and the occasional black form stood or lay near its mother one moment and gambolled awkwardly with the others the next. Every spring Andrew and his sisters tried to get close enough to one of these sweet-faced creatures only to have them bounce out of reach as the children approached.

The ground beneath them smelled damp and vaguely pungent, the pathetic grass hardly enough to fill the tooth of any grazing sheep. Still they pulled at the ground and still the children pursued the lambs.

Eventually the adults emerged from the farmhouse, zipping up jackets, shaking hands, their spring business completed for another year. Sometimes Andrew's mother, picking her steps carefully over the uneven ground, carried something hidden by a faded tea towel. Once they arrived back at the farm, a freshly-baked and still warm pie was revealed, the perfect finish to their beef stew.

That night Andrew slept long and deeply, like a thirsty man drinking from a cool well. He dreamt of catching a lamb as he stood in a field far from his city home.



### pic of the past

**I**n 1911, the Wilberforce Public School posed for a photo. In back row, from left, Ethel Coukell, Susan Dunford, ? Hancock, Lillian Holmes, Annie Drumm, Ruby Holmes, Tommy Drumm and Leonard Holmes. Second from back row, from left, Frank McMahon, Manly Godfrey, Fred McCoy, Bruce Speirs, Willie Riley, Delbert Miller and Cecil Speirs. Second row, from left, Mrs. Bertha Moore (teacher), Maudie Kelly, Eddie Earle, Lillian Moore, Marjory Holmes, Hattie Liscombe, Alice Drumm, unknown, Ethel Earle, Minah Holmes, Lottie Godfrey, Edna Barnes, Mable Barnes, Norman Sloan, Ford Coukell and Paul McCoy. Front row, from left, ? Coukell, Elsie Liscombe, ? Coukell, Nelson Harrison Gladys Moore, George Comrie, Byron Speirs, unknown, unknown, Daisy Holmes, Beatrice Tallman, Ina McCoy, unknown, Harry Comrie, Herman Sloan, Herb Tripp and Joe McCoy. Hilda Clark wants to remind everyone to attend the 100th anniversary of Wilberforce Public School on April 30.

### letters to the editor

## It's not the Canada I want

**To the Editor,**

Our Canadian troops have been peacekeepers around the world. We've sent young men off to Afghanistan to stabilize that country – many have died in defence of freedom.

So what does it say that, despite this, and despite the billions spent on G8/G20 summit, under the Harper government, Canada's prestige in the world has plummeted – losing landing rights in Saudi Arabia, being voted off the UN Security Council for questionable international policies, being ridiculed for our dismal record in curbing global warming (we have the lowest targets of any developed country) cutting off funding for respected Canadian humanitarian agencies working in Third World countries.

What does it say to each of our local candidates and what can we do about it?

How can anyone, *anyone* vote to return a government that has so diminished our international reputation?

It's not the Canada that I believed in. It's not the Canada – global citizen – I was so proud of.

It's not the Canada I want.

**Lynda Campbell**  
Soyers Lake

## Thank you for Timbits tourney

**To the Editor,**

We would just like to thank Tim Hortons, the Minden Curling Club, the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena, the local businesses and all the volunteers for the fantastic four-day event. We all had so much fun, met many new friends and have memories that will last a lifetime. We would especially like to thank our coaches John Childs and Ron Draper for all of your support, encouragement and time preparing us for this championship. You have spent the last few months guiding, teaching and showing us how to have fun while competing in such an exciting event. We would also like to thank Lyn Childs for spending the weekend taking care of all of us and always smiling. Thank you to the members of the Haliburton Curling Club, our families and our friends for coming out to support us. We are already looking forward to next year's curling season. Look out Parry Sound, here we come!

**Cody Williams, Taylor Urquhart,  
Jalen Campbell, Victoria Hawley,  
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# Colourfest to branch out this fall in Haliburton

Family-oriented day plans amusement rides at this year's event

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

*The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 11 meeting of Dysart et al council.*

This year's Colourfest is looking to feature more fun for the family with plans to include amusement rides in Head Lake Park.

Organized by the Haliburton Business Improvement Area, the event is scheduled to take place Oct. 1 in Haliburton Village.

A request from the BIA asked the municipi-

ality if the park could be used for the duration of the day for stage entertainment, as well as a few amusement rides suitable for children. The BIA also requested the use of the ball diamond for event parking.

Council approved the request.

## Condo development application still in works

Plans to build a condominium building in Haliburton Village are still moving forward as developers have submitted a revised application to amend the zoning bylaw.

Constructed by Muskoka D & M Corp., the 28-unit building is being proposed on Sunnyside Street and Highway 118 in the municipality of Dysart.

A second application submitted by the developers includes negotiations with the Feir family that resulted in additional land

for the Feirs.

According to the municipal planning report, the additional land will improve the project overall and in particular will resolve concerns expressed by the Feirs for loss of privacy.

Council approved the application.

## Elevator lifts to be treated as a minor variance

Stairs may soon be a thing of the past for cottages in Haliburton.

A request submitted by Inclined Elevation, a company specializing in private residential lifts, asked council to allow inclined elevators to be built along cottage shorelines.

Submitted by John Weinstein, president of Inclined Elevation, the letter referenced a permission request to build such a lift on

Redstone Lake.

According to Weinstein, such lifts are currently not included in the municipality's list of allowed structures.

Weinstein went on to explain the benefits of such a structure, which include increased safety for residents and a small environmental footprint.

Councillor Steve Pogue informed council that such a lift already existed in Harcourt Park at a cottage once belonging to Oscar Peterson.

"I think they're great," said Pogue, while councillors Andrea Roberts and Walt McKechnie agreed.

Council agreed that in order for the lift to be constructed a shoreline road allowance would have to be purchased by the residential owner.

According to municipal planner Pat Martin the structure of inclined lifts will be treated as a minor variance, subject to an application cost of \$600.



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## SBES students sing hearts out

Kids from Stuart Baker Elementary School sing at this year's music festival April 12 at the Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton. /Photo submitted by Jack Bush

# Homebuilders challenge fee increase

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

A recent increase to construction tipping fees and restrictive landfill hours was reason enough to fill Dysart et al council chambers with members of the construction industry on April 11.

With more than a dozen representatives of the Haliburton County Home Builders Association in attendance, local contractors Gary Burtch and Nathan Petrini spoke on behalf of the organization and the construction industry regarding the municipality's proposed changes.

"We're here about the dump fees and the change in the rate and about how that process came about," said Petrini, who spoke to the proposed 100 per cent rate increase.

"First of all these landfill sites that we have are very small in area," said Reeve Murray Fearrey, "and they were never designed for construction waste. They were designed for household garbage only."

Approximately seven or eight years ago the municipality, said Fearrey, decided to start charging a fee for construction waste, which was then crushed up and left on site.

At a March 14 meeting of council, the municipality proposed to increase the tipping fee on construction and demolition waste from \$20 to \$40.

"Council's perspective is construction waste is not household garbage," said Fearrey. "Therefore it should not be paid for by the average householder in the municipality. It should be paid for by whomever it belongs to."

Despite ongoing attempts to expand the landfill sites, the municipality is limited by geographic constraints, said Fearrey.

"So what's happening is our landfills are filling up so fast that we're probably going to be looking into a closure, or out of space and then we're talking millions of dollars. And what's the catalyst? Construction material," said Fearrey.

The tipping cost shouldn't fall on the shoulders of the homebuilders, said Fearrey, but rather be directly related to the homeowner.

The council's hands were tied on the mat-

ter, with little room to budge on the proposed rate, he said.

"If we get it at 40 we can probably keep it at 40 for quite a while," said Fearrey.

Contractor Greg Brown asked about the possibility of weighing the loads as they enter the dump.

The possibility of purchasing a set of scales was something the municipality could look into, said Fearrey.

The biggest issue isn't the tipping fees, but the landfill hours and regulations, Burtch said.

"Shutting down the other dump sites is starting to be a big issue as you can imagine," said Burtch. "If we're working up at Kennisis Lake and trying to get to the dump before they close at 5 p.m. it's pretty tough. Why can't we keep these other dumps open?"

Closing the Haliburton landfill site on Mondays and Wednesdays, created an obstacle for homebuilders.

"That Wednesday is a real killer," said Burtch, in terms of scheduling demolitions around the middle of the week.

The construction industry would like to see both landfill sites open six days a week.

"You have to look at it from our perspective," said Petrini. "If we're going to pay the price, you guys should step up to the plate and man those dumps and give us some hours when we can get in."

Fearrey agreed the municipality would delve into the issue further, however some changes needed to be made.

"I'm not going to say we're not going to raise the rates because I'd be lying to you. We have to raise the rates," said Fearrey. "We can't keep taking a hit."

Fearrey said the municipality would look into costs related to picking up the material at the West Guilford site, which remains open on Wednesdays, but that is subject to change.

"We want to work with you," said Fearrey.

"We do understand that you're in between a rock and a hard place," said Petrini. "We need to try and find something that works for all of us. I don't want you to lose sight of the fact that the construction industry in this area employs many peo-

ple. You look at tourism and you're always fighting for that. But construction so far has been good to the county. Remember that when you're making all these decisions."

Following the delegation, council passed a bylaw to increase the tipping fee on construction and demolition material to \$40.

Council members agreed the hours of operation were something to look into further.

"I would say it would probably solve it if we can pick it [the material] up at West Guilford and change the hours on Wednes-

day," said Fearrey.

The delegation's outcome was to be expected, said Burtch.

"Their hands are tied, but on the other hand we don't want things to get out of control," he said.

According to Burtch, the reasoning behind the rate increase was made clearer during the delegation, which he appreciated.

"The biggest thing I wanted to see out of that was the commitment that they are going to truck [debris] out," he said.

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**Darren Lum** Echo staff

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student Alex Kocot sings The Jolly Roger song during the Haliburton Highlands Music Festival for the secondary age art song before 1830 category at the Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton on Tuesday, April 12. The music festival ran from Tuesday until Saturday, April 16, giving local performers the opportunity to receive constructive criticism from music industry professionals towards improving.



Left, singer Julia Faie MacKinnon listens to feedback from adjudicator Martin Elliott.

## Celebrating talents

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

The annual Haliburton Highlands Music Festival is a celebration of the musical talents in and around the area.

Held over four days last week, including a gala showcase event later this week, the festival provided an opportunity for feedback by industry experts and showcased the best and brightest of Haliburton County from elementary school aged children to serious music lovers, including singers, instrumentalists, choirs and bands.

This year's festival included adjudicators Jennifer Hu, Martin Elliott and Jef Tren Kortenaar. The Highlights Concert will be held on Wednesday, April 20 at the Northern Lights Pavilion. Tickets are \$7.50. Those interested in purchasing a ticket should contact Len Pizzezy at 705-457-1363.



Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student Breanna LaRue finishes singing Gathering Daffodils. See more photos online at [www.haliburtonecho.ca](http://www.haliburtonecho.ca).

# Plans change for Tim Hortons

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

It may be a while before Haliburton gets its first Tim Hortons as the restaurant originally planned for County Road 21 will no longer be moving forward.

During a county roads committee meeting on April 13, Doug Ray, director of public works, recommended council proceed with a traffic analysis study for County Road 21

between Peninsula Drive and Walling's Road, despite the restaurant going into that location.

"It was recommended and approved by county council that a traffic study be undertaken to determine improvements required to accommodate roadside development and increased traffic in this area," said Ray.

"This was initially done for the Tim Hortons development, which is no longer happening [at that location]."

Since the study was approved, the county, has since learned the development will not be moving forward as

planned.

Despite the change, Ray informed the committee he believed it would be best to complete the study anyways.

Ray pointed out there are other areas of concern within the mentioned area, including summer traffic congestion.

According to Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, the development has been looking at other properties within the municipality.

The committee passed a resolution to proceed with the traffic analysis study.





Submitted by Peter Thyrring

St. Peter's ACHS College School in Vaughan featured a music program for the boys. Headmaster Peter Thyrring is bringing that school to Haliburton in September.

## School holding open house in May at Pinestone Resort

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school.

"I've had some amazing talks with the owner [Darko Vranich]. He was very positive about it," Thyrring said.

"He's made an interesting proposal. The man's a visionary. He believes in our school and what we're doing. Who knows what the future will bring?"

For now, classes will be based at the Pinestone and the kids will have access to the pool and golf course.

Being located right in Haliburton, skiing at Sir Sam's and playing hockey or skating at the arena will be convenient for the kids, who are expected to get lots of physical activity.

Academics come first at St. Peter's and the kids, already predisposed to physical activity, work harder at their school work to get more sports time.

"They're pumped on that. They really push themselves to do their academic work," he said.

Haliburtonians may already be acquainted with the St. Peter's ACHS boys.

Thyrring's students come to Haliburton regularly and interact with local kids and residents.

Carla Watson, president of the Haliburton Legion branch, calls the St. Peter's boys "bright little men."

"They are sweethearts, every one of them. Very respectful," Watson said.

The students came to the Legion to play pool and darts.

"It'll be nice to have them up here. I can't wait," she said.

In Vaughan, the school had three teachers, two part-time teaching assistants, music, French and Mandarin staff. There were 34 students.

In Haliburton, Thyrring is staying small – just him and one other teacher – until he can gauge local interest.

While he wants to have a residential school one day, to start it will be a day program.

That means he's looking for local kids to sign up.

Since it's a private school, parents have to pay to enrol their kids, but despite the tuition, Thyrring calls his school "working class" and definitely not elitist.

He's looking for students who are athletic and disciplined.

His school harkens back to "old school" principles of playing hard, working hard and taking responsibility for one's self.

"If a kid is active or athletic, this is the perfect type of school," Thyrring said.

They don't have to be hockey stars, but they do have to either play hockey or skate.

Kids are taught at their own pace, following government-mandated curriculum.

And while it is a Catholic school, Thyrring said that those of all religions are welcome. For those who are not Catholic, religion is taught as a subject, not indoctrinated to the students.

There will be an open house presentation on May 7 at 7 p.m. at the Pinestone Resort where parents and potential students can hear about the school.

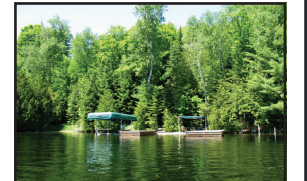
Thyrring will be bringing some of the school's former students up to share their views as well.

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# Building fees may increase in Highlands East

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

*The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 12 meeting of Highlands East council.*

It may become more expensive to build or renovate in Highlands East if a proposed increase to building fees is approved.

Established by municipal chief building official Randy Dunsmore, the fees would see an increase in construction costs of a dwelling from \$4.84 a square metre to \$5.38.

The increase would put Highlands East's rates on par with Dysart et al and Minden Hills. Algonquin Highlands' rate is currently set at \$5.92 a square metre.

Other proposed increases include setting re-inspection rates at \$150, up from \$100. Demolition rates would jump from \$75 to \$150. A new fee Dunsmore is proposing is a residential renovation fee, set at \$3.23 per square metre. The municipality currently does not have a fee for residential renovations. The construction of covered decks is looking to double in price, from \$2.15 to \$4.30 per square metre.

"Does this bring us in line with other municipalities?" asked councillor Joan Barton.

Dunsmore replied there wasn't a lot of consistency

among the neighboring municipalities.

The draft fee proposal was submitted to council and will be revisited at the next meeting of council. It will also be subject to public input with a meeting scheduled to take place on June 7.

The municipality, said Dunsmore, has experienced a slow start to building this spring, having only issued six permits thus far. Dunsmore said he is unsure of the cause of this.

## Budget adjusted for purchase of tanker truck

The 2011 budget has been slightly revised to accommodate the purchase of a new tanker truck, a new committee structure and an increase in wages for a new position.

According to CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig, municipal expenditures are down \$147,569 from 2010. However in addition Highlands East lost \$102,800 in provincial funding and is also down \$110,000 in surplus funds to reduce the levy.

As a result the proposed 2011 operating budget is up 4.03 per cent. However an increase in taxes will only apply to those whose property assessment went up more than five per cent.

A resolution to approve the 2011 budget was passed by council with the intention to adopt it at the May 10 meeting of council.

## Fire department takes issue with mandatory retirement

A new proposed provincial legislation requiring volunteer firefighters to retire at the age of 60 is not sitting well with municipal councillors.

Fire Chief Bill Wingrove said he would like to see it changed to 65 since the municipality already had a bylaw requiring medical checks be completed by firefighters over the age of 60.

"I have a real issue with this [policy]," said Councillor Cec Ryall, a volunteer firefighter.

"We can set our own health and safety policy," said Wingrove.

Ryall said he believed the policy could negatively affect a small municipality such as Highlands East.

"What do you do when you don't have lots of people to choose from?" he asked. "I think this is discriminatory to rural areas."

The proposed policy would disallow firefighters over the age of 60 from performing suppression duties, however wouldn't require them to leave the department.

The municipality has authorized a single source tender for a new tanker truck for Station 3.

The tender was awarded to a company operating out of Norwood.

The municipality has also agreed to cover the cost of an accident involving a volunteer firefighter and a dog.

According to Wingrove a Highlands East firefighter hit a dog on his way back from assisting with mutual aid.

The accident resulted in damage to the volunteer's truck and the driver has requested the municipality cover the \$500 insurance deductible.

The request is a first for the municipality, said Wingrove, and the volunteer is not covered under liability.

The driver, said Wingrove, was found to be not at fault by the OPP.

"The dog ran out in front of him," said Wingrove.

Council passed a resolution to pay the \$500 deductible.

The dog didn't survive the accident.

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Participants and Anne Barber, at back, perform a scene with a hunter and a deer during the Shadowland Theatre Inc. workshop held at the Dvart Arena on Monday, April 11.



At left, Brad Harley points to his eye, indicating the importance of the eyes for expression.

At far left, participants, framed by a mask, play out a hunting scene.



Anne Barber helps Sage McChesney walk on stilts during the workshop.

# Local youth learn art of performing

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

The Toronto-based Shadowland Theatre Inc. led four workshops on spectacle theatre for local youth and professional artists hosted at the Dysart Arena last week.

From this workshop, a creative team of artists, led by its artistic director Michael Fay, will use what they learned to stage a larger than life performance using puppets called *Halistoria* next summer.

This is the mythical telling of the history of Haliburton County, using iconic spirit characters Frog, male and the trickster, and Conjuror, goddess and the spirit of the landscape.

The contrasting characters planned to be introduced this summer with the perennial program Ghost Walks in Minden during the summer.

The creative team represents a variety of artistic disciplines and includes Faye Wilkinson, Karen Sloan, Jackie McChesney, Sandi Luck and Daniela Pagliaro.

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# Haliburton County Outdoors

by Steve Galea



## Turkey hunting: an outside perspective

*Every now and then, a non-hunter approaches me and asks what season it is and what they need to know from a non-hunting perspective. It's important to answer these questions since it leads to a wider understanding of hunting and often alleviates concerns or dispels unfavourable myths.*

*With that in mind, here's a brief overview of the upcoming turkey season and a few facts that might be important to hunters and non-hunters alike.*

### The season and times

First off, the spring season starts in permitted areas across the province on April 25 and ends on May 31. There is a fall season in some areas, but not here in Haliburton County.

In our six-week season, turkey hunters are allowed to hunt from a half an hour before sunrise to 7 p.m. – so if you hear a shotgun blast within those hours, it's probably a turkey hunter taking a bird. The hunt stops at 7 p.m. to protect turkeys approaching or sitting on the roost. A roost is a high branch in a mature tree where turkeys, often communally, seek refuge from predators in the night. Disrupting a roost puts birds at additional risk from night predators and is considered unsporting by most turkey hunters.

### The hunters

To hunt turkey in Ontario, you must take and pass a special course – something that no other hunt requires. This means aside from the normal firearm and hunter safety courses that Ontario hunters are subject to, a prospective turkey hunter must also take and pass the wild turkey hunter's education course.

Passing this course entitles you to buy a wild turkey licence and game seal, provided you already possess a small game licence. This seal must be immediately affixed to the leg of any turkey that the hunter shoots to make the harvest legal. Hunters are permit-

ted to buy two per season.

The extra course was deemed necessary because turkey hunters do not wear hunter orange. Instead they typically don camouflage, call turkeys in and often use decoys – a combination that could potentially lead to hunting accidents. To counter this, new turkey hunters are taught safe turkey hunting practices as well as the bird's basic biology.

### About the hunt

In spring, turkey hunters are only permitted to shoot bearded birds. They generally do this by sitting in ambush and calling in hopes of attracting male turkeys, which are almost always bearded.

A beard refers to the hairy appendage that's visible and hanging mid-breast of a wild turkey. As previously mentioned, most times this is an indicator of a male bird, called a jake within its first year and a gobbler when older. But about 10 per cent of the time hens are bearded too.

Like in waterfowl hunting, baiting is not permitted. In fact, you're not allowed to shoot a wild turkey within 400 metres of bait, unless it has been cleared for seven days. Bird feeders are considered bait; standing crops are not.

Only shotguns between 10 and 20 gauge are permitted provided that they are loaded with designated shot sizes. This makes turkey-hunting guns relatively short ranged compared to the rifles used in big game seasons, though no less deadly within those ranges.

Hunters must report any turkey killed too. This helps biologists manage turkey populations and harvest levels.

There's a whole lot more to turkey hunting than this, but as you can see, it's a well regulated with a fine record of safety. Moreover, it gives those of us who take up the challenge with an opportunity to procure excellent wild meat and spend more time outdoors. I highly recommend it.



In the spring, hunters are on the lookout for bearded turkeys. This is usually done by sitting, waiting and calling.

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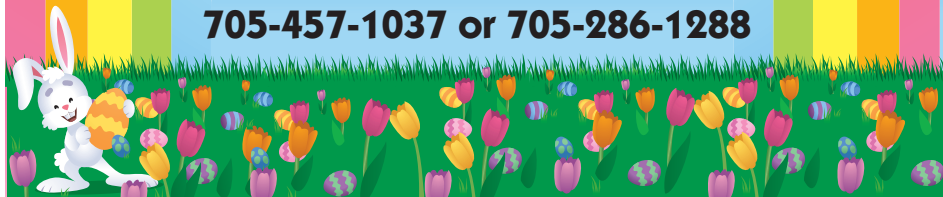


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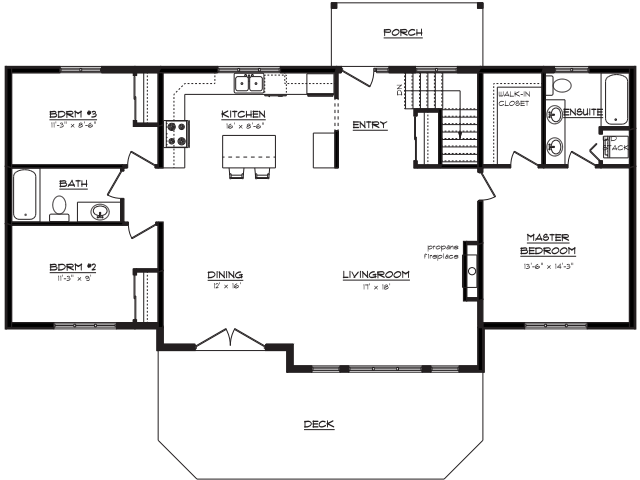
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## RBC gives Community Care \$1,500

Left, Beth O'Connor of RBC Dominion Securities presented a \$1,500 cheque to Community Care Haliburton County executive director Donna MacDonald in Haliburton on Wednesday, April 13. MacDonald said this money will contribute to the organization's Emergency Response System subsidy program that enables clients to receive medical attention by the press of a button, which enables senior clients to stay home longer. RBC has contributed \$20,000 in five years to Community Care.

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# Fleming College students strut their stuff at annual show

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

It was a vibrant, visual treat for the senses at this year's annual Legion art show and sale, held at Fleming College in Haliburton on April 16.

Tables adorned with multi-coloured glass, handcrafted jewelry and bold artwork lined the great hall of the college facility.

Running since 2004 the annual event allows students enrolled in the various college programs to show off their hard work and sell pieces of their art constructed during the past nine months.

Along with showcasing some of her work jewelry student Nicole Boss-moodie was fascinated by the output from her colleagues.

"I love that we get to see what other students have been doing," said Boss-moodie.

Organized by Terri Frew, studio technician and VCAD instructor, the show affords students the opportunity to exhibit their work to a broader audience while improving their marketing skills.

This year's show also raised money for a glass scholarship fund in memory of Clark Guettel, a former glassblowing instructor at the school and the creator of the certificate program at Fleming College.

Guettel passed away in January of this year.

Visit [www.haliburtonecho.ca](http://www.haliburtonecho.ca) to check out more photos and a video from the event.



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Ashley Neville, right, smiles as she sells a piece of her handcrafted jewelry at the end of term show and sale held at the Fleming College in Haliburton on April 16. The annual event allows students enrolled in various art programs to show off what they have been working on for the past year. This year's show featured handmade jewelry, glass blown vases, canvas watercolours and photography.



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Student Lisa Corker works on her art during the end of term show and sale held at the college in Haliburton.

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# Hospice awareness still needed, Rosebush says

Jenn Watt  
Editor

When Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Paul Rosebush was diagnosed with cancer in 1999, he wasn't aware of the services hospice could provide.

The prognosis was bleak and Rosebush was told he should get his affairs in order.

"That would have been a great opportunity for hospice to get involved," Rosebush says.

He was in the military at the time in British Columbia and says there just weren't the community connections there or the awareness in the military of what hospice could do.

Rosebush survived his cancer after surgery "by the grace of God" and a lengthy recovery period.

He is now honorary chairman of the Haliburton Hike for Hospice fundraiser, a job that entails educating the community about hospice and cheerleading at the April 30 event.

"Hospice delivers valuable community home support enabling people to receive psycho-social and daily types of support so they can live out their days in the quality of their home environment," Rosebush says.

It's a nearly unfunded service (there is government money for coordination of the volunteer-based program) that helps those with serious, life-threatening illnesses and their families.

Hospice workers often provide respite to families by watching over their sick loved ones. They also provide fellowship to those dealing with serious illness.

Hospice will play an even bigger role as the Haliburton hospital converts one of its rooms into a palliative care suite.



The annual Hike for Hospice helps fund the valuable end-of-life care in Haliburton County. /File photo

"Hospice is end-of-life care and it's also care and support for people going through life-threatening illnesses," Rosebush said, much like he was.

"People's outcomes are getting better and better all the time," so hospice isn't always just looking after the dying, but also those struggling to survive.

"It's the focus on both," he said.

In order to fund the volunteer training for the county's 48 volunteers, hospice must fundraise.

The hike brought in about \$20,000 last year and the organizers are hoping for close to that amount this year.

To participate, get a pledge form at [www.sirch.on.ca](http://www.sirch.on.ca) under the events section or come to the Haliburton high school on April 30 at 10:15 a.m. to register before the 11 a.m. hike. Hike options include the one-kilometre walk around the track or a five-kilometre walk around Head Lake. There will be refreshments and live music by Naomi Bristow, a.k.a. "the yodlin' cowgirl."

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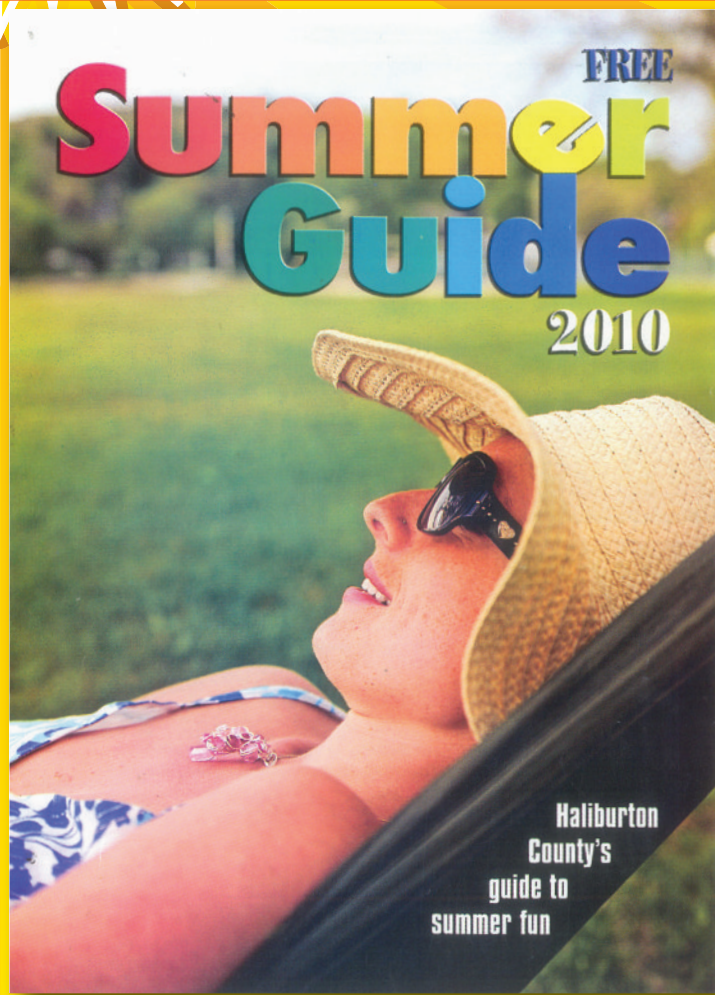
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## Community comes together

Alex Taylor smiles before singing Hakuna Matata during the Ragged Company fundraising concert for the Taylor family at the Royal Canadian Legion Haliburton branch on Saturday night, April 9. The concert included a silent auction, buffet and performances with Jazz Kitchen. Stuart Taylor, father and husband, was paralyzed late last year.

Darren Lum Echo staff



Eight-year-old Lane Brohm, who started at one, plays his harmonica to the delight of Karen Frybort, back, during the Ragged Company benefit concert.

Mother Heather Taylor and older brother Colt applaud the efforts of Alex, who finished his rendition of Hakuna Matata.

# Cross-county branding strategy in the works

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

Tourism operators throughout the county may be looking at a new marketing initiative if a grant request is fulfilled by the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

Developed by the Haliburton Highlands Tourism Board, the proposal would see the implementation of a countywide branding strategy with the assistance of Haliburton County's economic development and tourism department.

According to a report presented by Bob Smith at an economic development committee meeting on April 13, the county of Haliburton has approved the HHTB



**We know that because of the [federal] election all HCDC funding has been suspended.**

— County Councillor Barb Reid

requests for \$15,000 cash in the economic development department's 2011 budget and \$5,000 in-kind from the county of Haliburton.

The HHTB is requesting funding in the amount of \$35,000 from HCDC.

Derived from a town hall meeting held in May 2010, the goal of the strategy, said Smith, is to get all tourism operators in the county on the same page and ready for future initiatives.

According to Smith, the county has a commitment of resources, support and in-kind donations from tourism industry partners.

The project will include a number of steps to be implemented over the next year and will result in a number of initiatives, including a new logo adhesive with the Haliburton Highlands Natural Work of Art slogan, to be used on storefront windows and cars.

"We know that because of the [federal] election all HCDC funding has been suspended," said committee chairperson Barb Reid. "What happens if we don't get the funding?"

"We anticipate that regardless of which government may or may not be in control it's likely that the program will continue," said Smith. "The best scenario we can look at right now is availability of the funding this upcoming September."

Reid asked Smith what his department could do from now until September to move ahead with the project.

Reid suggested Smith move ahead with getting the adhesives out and into operation for the summer season, which council agreed was a good move.





Darren Lum Echo staff

The Royal Canadian Legion branch 129 Haliburton recognized youth achievement, front to back, left, Lexi Bridgeman, Jaime Moore, Jacob Dobsen, Madeline Hopkins, Emily Alexander, Seamus Jarrett-Lynch, James Alexander, Jurgen Shantz. Second row, Zak Shantz, Zachery Williams, Josh Bellefleur, Christopher Draper, Kayla Bird. Third row, Brittany Graham, Kimberly Warnica, Paiten Smolen, Ainsley Little, Tatum McTeague and Naomi Russell. The Legion gave awards in areas of poetry, literature and speech at the Youth Education Annual Awards Night in Haliburton on Friday, April 8.



The Royal Canadian Legion branch 129 Haliburton youth education chairman Brian Hambly honours students, left, front to back, Seamus Jarrett-Lynch, Jacob Dobson, James Alexander, Zak Shantz, Madeline Hopkins. Back, Kimberly Warnica, Josh Bellefleur, Tatum McTeague, Kayla Bird and Brittany Graham. These students were successful in advancing to the zone level in poetry, literary and public speaking.

# Haliburton Legion recognizes youth

The following are results from the youth education annual awards night held at the Royal Canadian Legion branch 129 Haliburton on Friday, April 8.

## Poetry

**Intermediate**  
1st Kristen McKee  
2nd Paiten Smolen  
3rd Ainsley Little

**Junior**  
1st Kayla Bird  
2nd Josh Bellefleur  
3rd Jillian Sharp

## Essays

**Intermediate**  
1st Kimberly Warnica

**Junior**  
1st Brittany Bull  
2nd Christopher Draper

## Poster Contest (black and white)

**Intermediate**  
1st Brooke Stevenson  
2nd Ainsley Little  
3rd Christina Steven

**Junior**  
1st Josh Bellefleur  
2nd Kendal Marsden  
3rd Emma Scheffee

## Poster Contest (black and white)

**Primary**  
1st James Alexander  
2nd Emily Alexander

## Colour Poster Intermediate

1st Christina Stephen  
1st Tatum McTeague  
2nd Naomi Russell  
3rd Cassandra Stoughton

**Junior**  
1st Josh Bellefleur  
2nd Zachary Williams

**Primary**  
1st Jacob Dobsen  
2nd Jaime Moore  
3rd Lexi Bridgeman  
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## Public Speaking

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1st Jurgen Shantz  
1st Seamus Jarrett-Lynch

**Junior**  
1st Madeline Hopkins  
2nd Sadie Lissemore  
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Robert Hall, Samantha Vicks

**Intermediate**  
1st Arianne Gervais

**Senior**  
1st Brittany Graham

## Zone Level

**Poster black and white, primary**  
1st James Alexander

**Poster colour, primary**  
1st Jacob Dobsen

**Poster black and white, junior**  
1st Josh Bellefleur

**Poem, junior**  
2nd Kayla Bird

**Essay, junior**  
1st, Brittany Bull

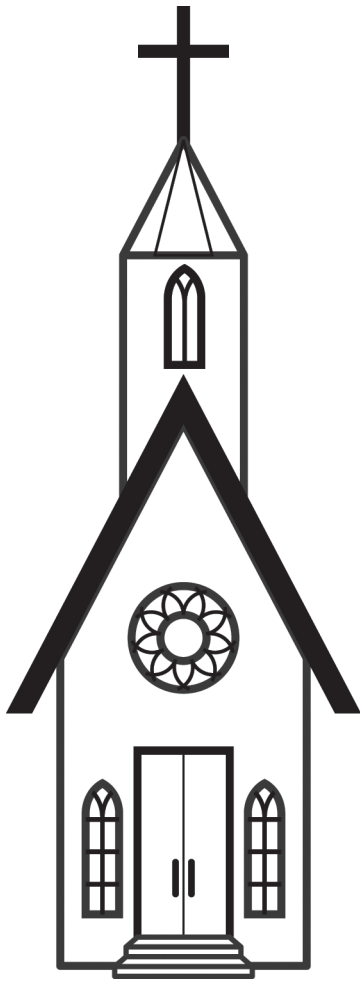
**Essay, intermediate**  
2nd Kimberly Warnica

## Advanced to Zone level

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**Easter Services**



**Holy Communion**  
St. James' Kinmount 9:15 am  
St. Peter's Maple Lake 9:15 am  
St. Paul's Minden 11:45 am

**Maundy Thursday**  
St. Paul's Minden 7:00 pm

**Good Friday**  
St. Paul's Minden 10:00 am

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**HOLY WEEK and EASTER 2011**  
Our Lady of Mercy Church, Bancroft  
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**HOLY WEEK**  
16 & 17 April – **Sunday of the Lord's Passion**  
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)  
Saturday 3:30 pm in Haliburton  
Sunday 8:30 am in Bancroft  
Mass including Blessing and Procession with Palms  
Saturday 4:30 pm in Haliburton  
Sunday 9:30 am in Bancroft

19 April – **Tuesday of Holy Week**  
Mass of Chrism  
7:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Columbkille, Pembroke

**EASTER TRIDUUM**  
21 April – **Holy Thursday**  
Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:00 pm in Haliburton & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.  
7:00 pm in Bancroft

22 April – **Good Friday** (Universal day of fast and abstinence from meat)  
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion  
3:00 pm in Haliburton  
followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
3:00 pm in Bancroft  
followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation

23 April – **Holy Saturday**  
Easter Vigil  
(Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord)  
7:00 pm in Haliburton

**EASTER**  
24 April – **Easter Sunday**  
9:30 am in Bancroft

**Holy Week**  
in the Anglican Parish of Haliburton



**Sunday, April 17 - Palm Sunday Eucharist**  
St. George's - 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. • St. Margaret's - 11:15 a.m.

**Thursday April 21- Maundy Thursday Eucharist**  
St. Margaret's - 5 p.m. • St. George's - 7:30 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY - April 22**  
St. George's - 10:30 a.m. Music of Gabriel Faure  
(choir, organ and guest cellist Bethany Houghton)  
11 a.m. - Good Friday Liturgy • St. Margaret's - 3 p.m. - Good Friday Liturgy

**EASTER - April 24 - Easter Sunday Eucharist**  
St. George's - 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. • St. Margaret's - 11:15 a.m.

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# Police stepping up seatbelt enforcement this week

Ontario Provincial Police campaign reminds motorists to buckle up every time

It's been 35 years since seatbelt laws came into effect in Ontario.

Yet tragically, countless fatalities and injuries relating to seatbelt use have continued to occur needlessly each year over the past 35 years.

Because of this, the Ontario Provincial Police are as committed as ever to seatbelt compliance as they get set to launch the 2011 Spring Seatbelt Campaign.

The provincewide campaign will run from April 13 to 23. During that time, the OPP will be stepping up enforcement throughout the province to ensure that motorists and passengers buckle up.

So far this year, on OPP-patrolled roadways, seven people have died in collisions in which lack of seatbelt use was a causal factor, and 855 have been seriously injured. Compared to this same time last year, 13 died and 913 were

injured.

Additionally, by the end of last year, a total of 89 people had lost their lives and 4,200 people were injured due to the lack of seatbelt use.

The OPP will be focusing their efforts on child restraints during this campaign to raise awareness about the need to properly restrain children in a vehicle. A properly used child seat reduces a child's risk of injury in a crash by as much as 75 per cent, yet many child car seats are incorrectly used or improperly installed.

When used correctly, a booster seat provides 60 per cent more protection than a seatbelt alone. In a collision, children using seatbelts instead of booster seats are three and a half times more likely to suffer significant injury, and four

times more likely to suffer head injury.

OPP detachments regularly run child car-seat safety clinics and the OPP are encouraging everyone to contact their local OPP detachment or their local police service for more information.

"In 1976 Ontario became the first province to require all drivers and passengers to wear a seatbelt. After all these years OPP officers across this province are just as committed to ensuring that occupants buckle up," said OPP Deputy Commissioner Larry Beechey, provincial commander, traffic safety and operational support.

Make sure you do your part as a driver. Buckle up first and then make sure all your passengers and children are properly secured.



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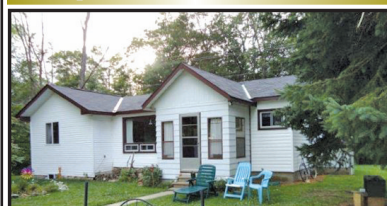
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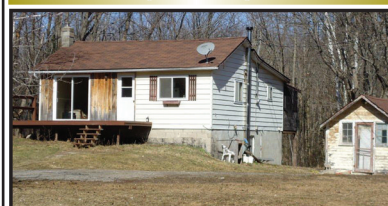
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# County looks at future of Rail Trail, denies ATV request

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The future of Haliburton's Rail Trail may be subject to a community engagement process to define a vision for the corridor.

A special delegation made to the Haliburton County economic development committee on April 13 by Kate Hall, a community development planner, outlined a possible planning process to discuss Rail Trail options with the county.

The process, said Hall, would include community participation in more and different ways.

"My suggestion is to engage the whole community in a conversation about values and experiences on the trail, a collective vision for the trail and making strategic decisions that include economic and social returns on investment," said Hall.

The issue was a qualitative one not a quantitative, said Hall and the process was not about pitting groups against one another.

"I can certainly say what's been done in the past hasn't resulted in us moving forward," said Hall.

Minden Hills Reeve and committee chairwoman Barb Reid shared some of Hall's concerns.

"I get your thoughts on county's approach thus far," said Reid, who agreed it was time for county council to take a step back from the discussion.

The county, said Reid, has agreed it will exist as a shared trail however has yet to establish what sort of operational changes would make it a better shared facility.

"We haven't defined what happens next," said Reid. "We've accepted that it's a multi-use trail but how do we get there?"

"We need help in making the Rail Trail an asset for the county," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt. The process, said Reid, needed to move forward. "My suggestion would be to get a proposal from you,"



**I can certainly say what's been done in the past hasn't resulted in us moving forward**

— *Kate Hall, community development planner*

said Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey to Hall.

Fearrey expressed that he wanted this issue dealt with sooner rather than later.

"I don't want this to drag on forever."

Reid suggested council put together a task list of key players involved with the Rail Trail to help facilitate the process.

"That's a good idea," said Fearrey.

Reid thanked Hall for her presentation and her input into the issue.

"I believe it's helped. We're constipated with the process," said Reid.

"I think that's a new use of that word," said Fearrey.

Further in the meeting council discussed a request from

the Haliburton ATV Association to amend the current agreement and allow ATV access to the Haliburton County Rail Trail corridor for the period May 1 to Nov. 30.

The Rail Trail is closed to ATV use until June 1.

According to the association, the closure has caused confusion to its ATV users since the Haliburton trail is connected to the City of Kawartha Lake's trail, which is open to ATV use as of May 1.

By allowing ATVs on the trail in May the county would experience increased economic benefits, wrote Eric Christensen, administrative coordinator for the association.

Moffatt inquired if mud was currently affecting the trail. "The trail is dry, I went for a walk on it recently," said Christensen.

"This is an operational change, I think we're jumping the gun," said Reid.

Fearrey asked whether this agreement was allowed last year, to which Christensen replied no.

"If we allowed it we would need to make sure it's monitored every day," said Fearrey.

Currently the Rail Trail is not accessible for motorized vehicles during the months of April and May.

Pamela Marsales, president of the Friends of the Rail Trail organization, informed council that the organization's event schedule had already been published and included in the county's Destination Guide.

Moffatt and Fearrey agreed due to the pre-existing schedule the association's request could not be carried forward.

A resolution to deny the request was voted in favour by Fearrey, Moffatt and Reid, with Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton voting against denying the request.

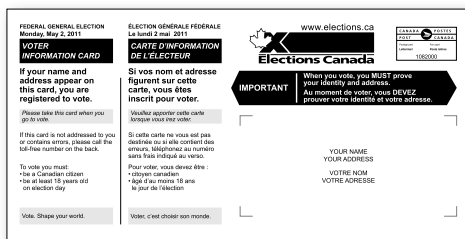
The request was denied.



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# Field naturalists look to future of the club



**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

Since its inception the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists club has provided events and opportunities for nature lovers throughout the area.

The organization is constantly looking to improve its programming and attract new members.

On April 14, Barbara MacKenzie-Wynia, central and northern regional coordinator for Ontario Nature Network, spoke to members of the club on the various initiatives Ontario Nature is involved with.

Formerly known as the Federation of Ontario Naturalists, ON Nature oversees various chapters of the organization such as the HHFN.

Originating in 1931, ON Nature is a charitable organization that appreciates and advocates for nature.

Some of the organization's success stories include the creation of a wilderness area in Algonquin Park in 1934.

Currently, ON Nature protects 22 significant natural reserve areas, which total almost 6,000 acres.

"We've been protecting these areas since 1961," said MacKenzie-Wynia.

Projects the organization is involved with include compiling an atlas of reptiles and amphibians discovered within Ontario.

"This is to improve our knowledge. We need any sighting of any species from any year."

So far the organization has collected 161,000 observations, which will be added to a pre-existing database.

"We developed an online atlas in 2010 and updated the range maps in February of 2011," she said.

One of the goals of ON Nature is to get more youth involved, said MacKenzie-Wynia, a task Haliburton is already targeting with the development of a young naturalist club.

"You're already ahead with that and I'm so glad."

Attracting younger members and building club capacity are two of the foremost challenges within the various chapters of ON Nature.

Members of the HHFN speculated that similar challenges were faced in Haliburton.

"Why are club numbers dropping off?" asked Barry Withers. "Why are people losing interest?"

As far as she could tell there were a number of contributing factors, said MacKenzie-Wynia, including age and a lack of new people joining.

"There's a big gap with youth, they're not interested in the clubs."

Logistics also played a role, she said, with most clubs meeting on days and at times not convenient to a younger demographic.

"The older population has more time to dedicate to a club," she said.

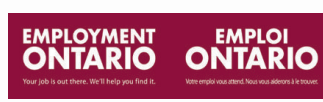
This year ON Nature will be celebrating its 80th anniversary and will be celebrating at its annual general meeting, held in Port Hope from June 10-12.

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**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff  
Barbara MacKenzie-Wynia, central and regional coordinator of the Ontario Nature Network, speaks to members of the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists on April 14 at Fleming College.  
MacKenzie-Wynia spoke on the organization's ongoing initiatives and how a club like the HHFN could become involved in regional projects.



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I think we have a big opportunity to make this Destination Guide much more compelling as a promotional material for Haliburton County

— Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid

# County to improve Destination Guide



Publication to boost visitor numbers and return visits

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The county of Haliburton is looking to spruce up the Destination Guide it produces yearly in an effort to attract more tourists to the area.

During an economic development committee meeting on April 13, Bob Smith discussed the future of the guide and a request for proposals for the printing and creative component of the 2012 publication.

According to Smith the production of the guide is aimed at encouraging travellers to visit Haliburton County and experience a number of destinations while in the area.

The publication is an undertaking of the county and is a revenue neutral operation, said Smith.

"I think we have a big opportunity to make this Destination Guide much more compelling as a promotional material for Haliburton County," said Minden Hills Reeve and committee chairperson Barb Reid.

Reid suggested the county use the Haliburton Highlands slogan on the front cover along with a photo unique to Haliburton.

Other suggestions she made were to include compelling destination offers in the booklet, such as discounts.

"You need an offer to go in this to really get people to take action," said Reid. "This is all wonderful information but it's missing a call to action."

Another suggestion included featuring a 1-800 phone number travellers could call to find out about weekly specials and deals.

"We can certainly take those ideas into account," said Smith.

The discounts, said Reid, would be a useful tool to track just how successful the guide is, which could be translated into advertising dollars.

"We're not suggesting a coupon book," said Reid. "Just a few offers."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt agreed revamping the guide could assist in tracking its success.

"Certainly the world is transitioning from print towards social media," said Moffatt.

"We may determine in some time the money spent on the Destination Guide should be cut in half with more emphasis on electronic methods but we won't know that until we do a couple of tests."

"We just want to punch it up to have some really compelling offers and see who's taking advantage of it," said Reid.

For the first time, this year's guide included scan tags, which were well received by the public, said Smith.

Council passed a resolution to proceed with the request for proposals for the Destination Guide.

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One of my first driving instructors told me that as you're cruising along, your mind should be going over the potential ways to avoid a crash, if one were to develop; basically they're threefold – brake, accelerate and steer.

What you do with those options depends on how well you see the road, how well you read traffic and how fast your reactions are.

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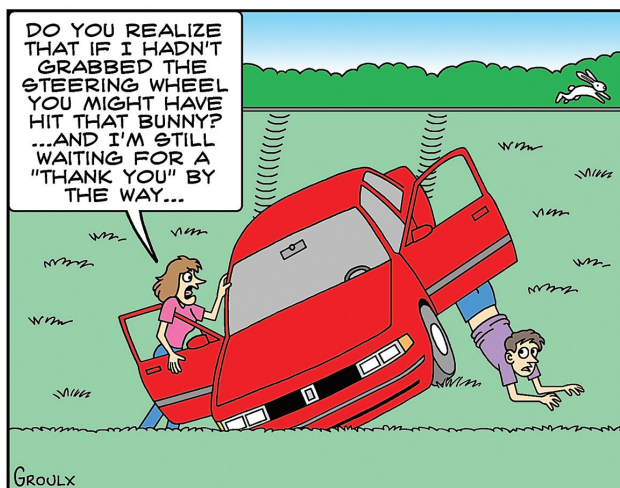


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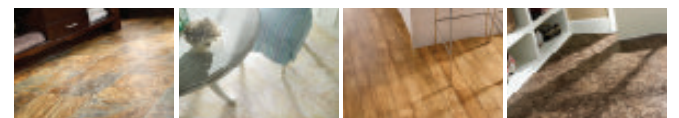
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# Perception key to accessibility

Ontario Chamber of Commerce tours province for accessibility compliance

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Provincial businesses and organizations are gaining a better understanding of customer service through a provincial act to take effect this January.

As of Jan. 1, 2012 all organizations with at least one employee that provides goods or services to members of the public or other third parties must comply with the Customer Service Standard (CSS) of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

The CSS is the first standard developed under AODA and it sets out the obligations for businesses and organizations to provide goods and services in a way that is accessible to people with disabilities.

This follows public sector organizations such as municipal governments, which complied with the CSS Jan. 1, 2011.

To ease this transition, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce held a series of presentations throughout the province.

The chamber represents more than 57,000 businesses through 160 boards of trade and local chambers of commerce such as the Haliburton Chamber of Commerce, which hosted a presentation at Fleming College in Haliburton on Thursday, April 7.

Guest speaker Louie DiPalma, a director of small/medium enterprise programs with the Ontario chamber is on a tour visiting 40 communities across the province. The tour started in August and will end in March 2012.



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

**Louie DiPalma of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce gives a presentation for local businesses and organizations about how common sense can go a long way towards abiding to the Customer Service Standard of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act at the Fleming College in Haliburton on Thursday, April 7. The CSS standard comes into effect Jan. 1, 2012.**

He said businesses and organizations will need to implement policies, procedures and practices to become accessible, but common sense will take owners far.

"How may I help you? How may I help you will get you through 99.99999 per cent of any situation ... when you're dealing with any person from a customer service standpoint," he said.

"How may I help? What that does is it starts the interaction between you and that individual. You can better determine what their individual needs are and you can bet-

ter resolve the issue, whatever it is, but if you don't ask 'How may I help you?' and make an assumption you may go in the wrong direction."

This is more than following the law, he said, it's good business.

One in seven Ontarians has a disability. The CSS is the first standard in a list of standards of the AODA that all businesses and organizations will need to comply with by 2025.

With just seven people, the event was an intimate setting with many opportunities for questions.

Donna Gagnon, communications and administrative assistant with the Arts Council of Halibur-

ton Highlands, was confident her organization and its members would adjust well to the new act.

"It is not difficult and ... there is help out there. The fact that the county has already gone through this procedure there's help there. There is lots of information online as well," Gagnon said, referring to the information websites and the generic policy templates.

Although the council is not legally bound to complete a written accessibility report they will do it for its membership, she said.

The council expects to put together a toolkit for its membership to help them understand the legislation.

Organizations and businesses with 20 or more employees will be required to complete a written report, regarding policies, procedures and the practices for the compliance to the act. However, any organization or business with less than 20 employees does not have to write a report, but will still be required to implement actions to be fully accessible.

The event's organizer Kendra Kellett was disappointed by the attendance, but acknowledged many business owners are putting their attention towards this spring and summer after a "soft" winter of business.

She said this kind of presentation won't be the last opportunity.

County government staff can be used as a resource for the public since their CSS transition has already been made.

County staff said there are businesses that have already moved towards being accessible with voluntary steps to eliminate barriers, as revealed through the Barrier Aware Program.

The county's Barrier Aware team is comprised of volunteers, including two members in wheelchairs. They have designated 16 county organizations and businesses as barrier free.

For more information check the websites: [www.accessibilityworks.ca](http://www.accessibilityworks.ca) and the [www.accesson.ca](http://www.accesson.ca) for generic policy templates.

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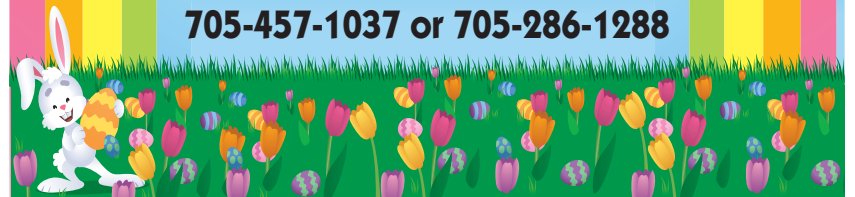


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Choose one or more of the following four actions:

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## Frequently asked questions

Can I give something up other than the four suggested actions?

By all means. Maybe this campaign got you thinking about another habit you would like to change – like getting away from buying bottled water or coffee in paper cups. There are a million possible green alternatives to what we do on a daily basis, so please use this campaign to challenge yourself to conserve in whatever way you choose.

We will be coordinating more action campaigns in the coming year and we want your input. Tell us which actions you would like to see next time.

Do my personal actions really matter?

Yes. Choosing healthier alternatives even for the short term, can lead to thinking about the impact of our decisions over a lifetime. An eco-mindset can be cultivated. All it takes is a willingness to change our relationship with the planet.

Who can participate?

You. Young people, parents, students, farmers, seniors, artists, business people, and any one who wants to support a healthier environment.

We'll track the pledges live on the campaign impact page to show you how simple environmental actions quickly add up. Earth Day Canada staff and supporters will take on their own individual action commitments, tracking their progress on the campaign blog. Follow along and use the blog to give us updates on how you're doing.

Why am I prompted to make my name public on the registration form?

Studies show that when we put something in writing, or tell others we are going to do something, we tend to follow-through. Make a public commitment, and with your permission, your name will be recognized on our campaign participants page.

How will you measure the impact?

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Visit our impact page to see how the commitments are piling up.

For example, if the average person in Canada watches 21 hours a week of television, we will multiply that by the number of week-long pledges received to get the total hours for Earth Day given up.

Can I change my commitments once I submit them the first time?

No problem. If you decide to extend your commitment by another week or two, fill out the registration form again, pick your new commitments and use the same email address to overwrite your first selections. You will still only be eligible to win prizes once.

When does the campaign end?

Participants can register their commitments anytime in April and adopt the challenge all the way into May or later.

In May, our bloggers and participants will be finishing up their commitments and reflecting on their experiences taking the challenge. Visit the campaign page then to see the cumulative results of people en masse taking action!

Will you do more campaigns?

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# Sports

## Red Hawks COSSA bound

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

The Red Hawks badminton team was envisioning success at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics final in Peterborough at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School (TASS) on April 19.

With five team members advancing to COSSA, coach Bob Schmidt was happy with a first place, third place and a fourth place in the Kawartha final hosted by TASS on Tuesday, April 12. He is optimistic about his players' chances at the next level of competition,

The senior boys' doubles team of Drew Paul and Jesse Schmidt once again led the team with a strong first-place result for their berth, as they did in the senior badminton Kawartha qualifier hosted by Haliburton earlier in the month.

Their undefeated record (2-0, 2-0 and 2-0) at the COSSA qualifier was an indication of their dominance this season. However, their coach feels being untested could pose a challenge.

"My concern with them is there is really tough competition from the other side [of the area] in the next tournament that they've not faced yet," said coach Schmidt.

The coach and Paul believe competition they faced during a Whitby tournament was the test they needed and should be enough to get them to the all-provincials.

"We hadn't gone to three [games] before that



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

**Red Hawks senior singles player Bin Chun, who qualified for COSSA, follows through on a shot during the Haliburton-hosted senior Kawartha qualifer a few weeks ago.**

tournament. It definitely prepared us," Paul said. The team had its first loss of the year at that tournament.

Paul, who considers himself the verbally expressive player of the tandem, can't articulate the reasons for their success this season except that opposing team coaches have commented on their improved ability to cover the court.

Fifth-year players Scott Griffith and Tiffany vanLieshout, who make up the mixed doubles team, managed to avenge their loss in the qualifier with a win in Kawartha against the same team.

They have a solid shot at second place in COSSA if they play up to their potential, Schmidt said.

They finished with three wins (2-0, 2-0, 2-1) and two losses (0-2, 0-2).

## Juniors advance

The Red Hawks junior badminton team is proving to be the team to beat.

With 19 team points, the juniors captured the team title by several points and dominated the competition at the Kawartha finals hosted in Peterborough on Thursday, April 14.

Eleven competitors qualified for the upcoming Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics final scheduled for April 21.

*- files from Bob Schmidt*

- Results**  
4th - Jessica Duchene and Jaimie Dack, girls' doubles  
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1st - Darcy Schmidt and Ali Hicks, mixed-doubles

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# Former Red Hawks share MVP honours

➤ McMaster University rookies prove Haliburton athletes have the right stuff for recognition

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Two former Red Hawks wrestlers shared the honour of being named most valuable players of the McMaster University women's wrestling team this year.

Christianna Walker and Nicole Mazara, both in their rookie year, received the news a few weeks ago.

Although neither responded to requests for an interview, loved ones and coaches were only too happy to speak about the hardworking pair with a love for the sport.

Their current university coach Nick Cipriano said the selection was based on a coaching staff decision, unanimously made by all three members.

"In identifying an MVP we don't rely on any one criteria, but attempt to assess who has been truly outstanding over the past year, not only in terms of results at competitions, although this is quite important, but as well, who has made a significant contribution to the team/program," he said in an email. "Certainly Nicole and Christianna's work ethic and attitude toward training was a significant consid-

eration. The fact that both of them were fully committed to two-a-day training sessions, one that included morning swims at 7 a.m., speaks volumes about their commitment to the team."

Cipriano said both love training and are unafraid of hard work. They are likely candidates for the national team if they continue with the sport for the long term.

Mazara's mother Lori Sargeant said the two young women were shocked when they heard the news.

"Nicole is the kind of person who impresses somebody because she is very focused and very hard working. She gives 100 per cent to whatever she is doing so they saw it too. They saw her devotion and her diligence and hard work," she said.

Walker's mom Brenda Brouwers was happy since her daughter was nervous about fulfilling expectations since receiving the only female wrestling scholarships for 2010 - 2011.

"The really exciting news, I think, is that she and Nicole Mazara are both the wrestling female MVPs and they are both from Haliburton. Speaks volumes for our Haliburton [Highlands Secondary School] coaches. They beat out more senior and more decorated athletes," she said in an email.

Red Hawks coach Paul Klose was proud when he first heard the news through a colleague about his former wrestlers.

"They loved the sport," he said. "They liked learning new things. They liked to compete. They're very competitive people. If they lost a match they didn't like that. They looked to improve and they showed that at practice. Cham-

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**They are both from Haliburton. Speaks volumes for our Haliburton [Highlands Secondary School] coaches. They beat out more senior and more decorated athletes.**

— Brenda Brouwers

pions aren't born overnight."

Dan Fockler and Klose were coaches of the two young women throughout their high school careers, which spanned some four years, ending last year.

He and Fockler has always held a belief that you're only as strong as your sparring partner.

"If they worked off of each other it doesn't surprise me that they were chosen MVPs," he said.

Both were Central Ontario Secondary School Athletic champions in their final year and Walker finished her career with a bronze at the high school all-provincials and Mazara finished in the top eight.

They are expected to return home for Easter weekend.

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# Huskies 40th anniversary of junior "D" championship

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

There might be less luster to the hair on top, a little more weight around the middle, but the smiles are still beaming brightly 40 years after the Haliburton Huskies were crowned Ontario junior D champions. They defeated the Exeter Hawks 6-5 in regulation in the seventh game during the 1970 - 1971 season in Haliburton at the Dysart Arena on Saturday, May 1, 1971. The arena that night was rocking with cheers and applause by both sets of boisterous fans numbering close to 1,600, including 500 Exeter fans that made the trip by bus. Players and coaches were awestruck by the throngs of people and the deafening noise. The tension was thick with anticipation with the stakes so high for the coveted championships. There were even police needed to separate fans from each other. Local media reported the game could be heard a mile away. The joy of that day is as plain as the smile on the face of Huskies' captain Bob Woodcock when he was photographed with the Ontario junior D championship trophy, held high above his head, surrounded by fans and their outstretched hands. Woodcock, who was 18 at the time, said it was his best hockey memory. "It was just completely jammed. You couldn't move. There wasn't any place you could go. You just had to stay right where you were and that was incredible," he said. "There is nothing like that when you have the arena com-

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Front to back, left, Lewis Dummitt, Craig Stamp, Albert LaRue, owner, Bob Woodcock, Scott LaRue, manager, Gerry McElwain and Dennis Good. Second row, Curry Whittaker, trainer, Jamie Carroll, Gord Scheffee, Dan Carpentier, Jeff Campbell, Bev Hicks, Rick Dunsford, Rick Wood, Roger Bain and Bob Nichol, trainer. Third row, George Nicholls, coach John Wilson, John Parish, Cam Botting, Larry Laporte, Jim Cowen, Derrell Stamp and Ray Scott.

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# County effort for provincial championship

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pletely full of people and have people cheering for you.”  
It not only fulfilled an athletic goal with a team of child-

hood friends, but united an entire community, as his teammates came from all over the county.

Woodcock remembers the team was due for a win after losing the championship in seven games the year before and was eliminated in four playoff games three years before.

“Everyone was hungry to win it. We had a good mixture of ages. There were a lot of big strong boys and some real good goal scorers. We knew we had the capability to win,” he said.

Haliburton went down by a goal and then fell behind further, down by two goals, 3-1, but managed to strike back, taking a 5-3 lead in the third period.

The Hawks scored again to narrow the lead, 5-4, but Rick Wood managed to get the eventual game-winning goal when a scramble in front of the Exeter net resulted in the puck to ricocheting off his skate. Wood has since donated those skates to the Haliburton Highlands Museum.

With a one-goal lead, 6-5, late in the third period, Woodcock got a penalty within the final minute left in the game.

Haliburton’s penalty killers Derrell Stamp, Jim Cowan, Jamie Carroll and Larry Laporte kept the Hawks attack at

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There were screams of joy as an 18-year-old Bob Woodcock holds the trophy up after the Haliburton Huskies 6-5 win.

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# Honour the Huskies Day, unforgettable

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bay, securing the win.

Fans poured onto the ice, screaming and shouting, sharing in the celebration with the players, who eventually ended up at the Haliburton Legion for a ceremony and a party that included the Exeter team.

Later that night there were fans lining the road to LaRue's house where the party continued well into the night.

All the players were presented with team jackets and rings from the municipality with its town crest on Honour the Huskies Day, which included a parade, live entertainment, horseshoe tournament, tug-o-war, and a baseball game between the Huskies Hockey Team and the Huskies Baseball Team on Sunday, June 13.

The parade went down Main Street complete with cheerleaders, the Legion Colour Party, floats and the Kawartha Cavaliers.

Bev Hicks, who was a rookie with the team, remembers the parade like it was yesterday.

"I was 16 at the time. To me that was something words cannot describe. I'll never forget it," he said.

The team's coach George Nicholls, who said he was an easy-going coach, doesn't remember all the details except that the championship win was fulfilling after losing in seven games the previous year.

"All I can tell you is that they were a good bunch to work with," he said, adding he inspired his players with his own experience winning as a bantam player in Bobcaygeon for two seasons in a row (1949-1950, 1950-1951).

He chose the quiet Woodcock for the team's captain because he was a strong defenseman with exceptional skating, puck handling skills and an ability to check, as he didn't talk a lot, but led by example on the ice.

Scotty LaRue, who owned the team with his dad, Albert, said he was left awestruck by the entire experience.

"It's always been a very important championship for

my father and I, the players and the town. It was the first Ontario Hockey Association championship Haliburton has ever earned," he said.

"It was an awesome feeling to take those young guys that distance. We had lost in the seventh game a year before. We won the first three and lost the next four," he said, adding he considers each and every one of them a friend, long after.

He remembers watching the game, sitting beside Toronto Maple Leaf great Johnny Bower.

"He said it was one of the most exciting games he'd ever seen and he had just won the Stanley Cup in 1967 ... he was really excited," he said.

LaRue's entire young life was dedicated to hockey, and running the Huskies seemed like a perfect fit. The team's very existence nearly did not come to pass, LaRue said.

"We had to fight hard to get the OHA to accept us as an entry because we were so far away from the rest of the teams. None of them wanted to travel up here. If it hadn't been for my dad and I owning a school bus company we probably never would have been able to afford the team," he said.

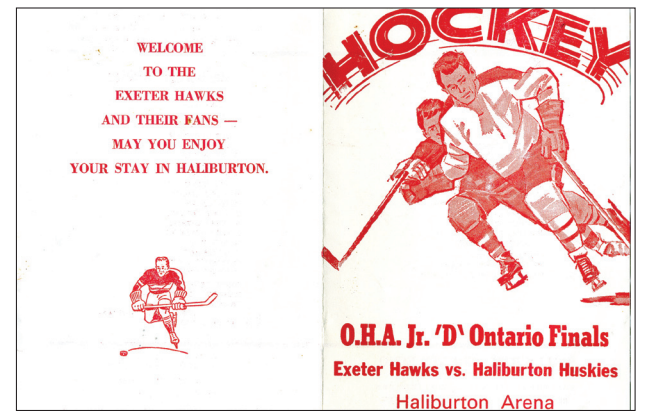
LaRue's pride running the team is apparent and he points out his team averaged close to 400 every regular season game and close to 700 for playoff games, which was the highest attendance average for the league.

"It was quite a thrill for us, the family and the team," he said. "It was a great honour for the town and the players. All of us really."

Hicks was 15 when he joined the team and said that season is one of the greatest years of hockey he ever played for not only how he improved as a hockey player, but by the respect given to him by the team owners.

"I've never been treated so good by people. That's what made it so special," he said.

He was intimidated when he joined the Huskies, who were a very strong and close-knit team, having gone to the Ontario junior D Championship the year before.



"I'm playing with and against guys who are 19 and 20, but playing with Craig Stamp really helped me. It just gave me a lot of confidence playing with him. He made me feel comfortable," he said, adding he was on left wing with Stamp at centre and Cam Botting on right wing.

Hicks said the Huskies were the underdogs against the Exeter Hawks because of the dozen or so players who were in their first or second year of playing. With leaders such as Woodcock, Darrell and Craig Stamp, the team had a strong core of leaders and its true strength came from the chemistry and skill, he said.

Just before the seventh game he remembers the owner's wife Wilda prayed for the team and read from a favourite poem of hers, which not only inspired the team, but also lasted with Hicks.

"It meant a lot to me because Wilda meant a lot to me," he said, adding he and his wife had a close relationship with her for years later.

It was six years after the Huskies were formed when the team won. It marked the beginning and the end of a hockey era for Haliburton, LaRue said.

There were fewer players available and the eventual move to bring a junior C team spelled the end.

It was the first and last junior championship Haliburton ever won.

## Duchene joins Team Canada

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

Haliburton's own Matt Duchene has been named to Team Canada's roster that will play for the 2011 IIHF World Championship in Slovakia.

When the NHL's Colorado Avalanche failed to make the Stanley Cup playoffs it was only time before Team Canada came calling.

A franchise player with the Avalanche, Duchene led his team in points with 67 (27 goals and 40 assists) and even shared the team lead for goals and assists.

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# Residents become 'tourism ambassadors'

**Jade Fisher**  
Echo co-op student

In hopes of bringing some new faces to Haliburton County and surrounding areas, the Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization began a new campaign.

Tourism Starts with You gives locals the opportunity to reveal where they feel the best attractions in our area are.

Every entry submitted earns you a ballot that is put into a draw for a new iPad. This campaign runs until June 30.

At the moment Haliburton has the lowest number of online visitors (2.5 per cent provincial total) in all of Ontario. If you visit the website [www.tourismstartswithyou.com](http://www.tourismstartswithyou.com) it let's you share you're most cherished destinations.

"What we really want to see as a result of this campaign is for people to start to think of this region in terms of tourism. We like to think of locals as 'tourism ambassadors,'" explains Leah Piltz, coordinator of marketing and communications at the OHTO.

"Also, locals are on the front lines for out of town visitors; they may be asked in a store or on a street what there is to do, and we have so many things to offer that the answer should not be nothing."

This project could create employment opportunities as well as boost local businesses that get discovered from the entries on the website.

"If you happen to be the local business owner that people are identifying as a great attraction, you can see the comments and use them to direct your marketing efforts," adds Piltz.

Many entries have been shared so far. The International Puppets Festival hosted in Almonte, Ont. and the Valley Music Festival in Ottawa are prime examples of both.

"Locals have so far been loving the campaign – and not just for the chance to win," said Piltz.

The next major project being worked on by Piltz will be a consumer website where visitors can book regional vacation experiences online. Also, soon

there will be a mobile app introduced for iPhone and iPad, and a video project that will create some unique videos focused on what there is to see and do in our area.

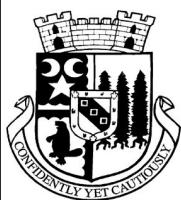
The OHTO is a destination development and marketing organization (DMO). The province of Ontario created this organization in 2010 to make an independent, industry-led, not-for-profit organization responsible for working with tourism partners to enhance and grow the region's tourism and marketing projects. The OHTO works with eight DMOs, authorities and tourism agencies.

"Working with the board has been a very positive collaborative experience. The board is made up of members that are representative of our entire region, which really helps the OHTO to make sure that each area is considered in our marketing and development activities," said Piltz.



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

Above, Melissa Stephens smiles as Wayne Cooper and the rest of the Haliburton United Church congregation and its choir managed to keep the preparations of a ceremony to recognize her 25th year as choir leader a secret on Sunday, April 10.



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**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that any person wishing to comment on the proposed sale should submit such comments in writing to the Municipal Clerk at the address set out below on or before the 27th day of April, 2011.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that the proposed by-law will come before the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Dysart et al, at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario on the 2nd day of May, 2011.

**DATED** at Haliburton and first published this 19th day of April, 2011.

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### SCHEDULE "A"

Part of Block B, Plan 467, further described as Part 2, Plan 19R-9247, in the geographic Township of Havelock, County of Haliburton.



## COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

### NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg.197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

**AND FURTHER THAT** at its meeting to be held **Monday May 9th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

**1. File No. H-008/11**

Applicant: MORROW LAKE ROAD ASSOCIATION

Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 1-3, Concession 8; Pt. Lots 3-7, Concession 9; Pt. Lots 7-10, Concession 10; Pt. Lots 10 & 11, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Harburn

Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

**2. File No. H-011/11 & H-012/11**

Applicant: DENNIS DEBLER WELL DRILLING LTD.

Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 1-3, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Dysart

Nature of the Application: New Lot

**3. File No. H-017/11**

Applicant: GREIF BROS. CANADA INC.

Location of the Property: Lots 26 - 35, Concessions 5-8, Geographic Township of Harburn

Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

**4. File No. H-018/11**

Applicant: 1604505 ONTARIO LTD.

Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 1-5, Concessions 11 & 12, Geographic Township of Guilford

Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

**5. File No. H-019/11 & 021/11**

Applicant: HARBURN HOLDINGS LTD. & BLACK BASS PROPERTIES INC.

Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 5, Concessions 11 & 12, Geographic Township of Guilford

Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

**6. File No. H-020/11**

Applicant: Kristy GAMMON & Stephen FERRACUTI

Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 5, Concessions 11 & 12, Geographic Township of Guilford

Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 19th day of April, 2011.

**Jane M. Tousaw, CMO**

Director of Planning

County of Haliburton

11 Newcastle Street, P. O. 399, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0

Telephone: (705) 286-1333, or 866-886-8815 ext. 222

Fax: (705) 286-4829 • Email: [jtousaw@county.haliburton.on.ca](mailto:jtousaw@county.haliburton.on.ca)



# Get your flapjacks at maple syrup festival

## Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

705-448-2018

Makers of maple syrup, operators both large and small, have

been in their maple forests tapping trees and boiling down the sap into sweet golden liquid. Of course in the big operations it is evaporated, but the old fashioned description was "boiling down". You can enjoy the fruits of their efforts along with some pancakes at Maple Fest here in the village on Saturday, April 23. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. volunteers will be flipping the flapjacks and serving them hot along with sausages and maple syrup at the Lloyd Watson Centre. You can do a little shopping at some craft tables as well. And get some tickets for the Heritage Guild's raffle of a quilt and a collectible doll. Always a good spot to catch up on some visiting as well. There are sure to be some folks you haven't seen for a while.

The cast and crew of the Loop Troupe's production of *That Was No Lady, That Was A Private Eye* got together last Friday evening at the local B&B. A pleasant time to celebrate a job well done. No rehearsing, no pressure, just the fun of recalling the fun and challenges of getting the play on stage and knowing you have entertained a few folks for a couple of evenings. There was even some talk about when and what the Troupe might be up to next.

The curling club awards dinner was also a happy occasion. Members of the Wilberforce Curling Club dined together at a delicious dinner served at the Legion by the ladies auxiliary on Thursday, April 14. President Doug Stephen presided over the awards presentations. League champions and play-off winners received their awards from Ron Roberts, Doug Stephen, Joe Martinek and George Waugh, this year's league convenors. Doug graciously thanked his committee and all who had helped with leagues and the very successful bonspiels in

the 2010-2011 season. One very important initiative again this year was the program of providing curling opportunities for students from the Wilberforce school.

After many years of providing excellent leadership of the club, Doug is retiring from the presidency but not from curling. Club members were delighted to approve the election of Melanie Lewis and Tammy Vaughan as co-presidents of the club.

Ninety-five years ago on September 29, 1915, Hazel Anne Elizabeth was born in Tory Hill, the first child of Archie and Lefemmie (Tripp) Scott. Hazel (Scott) Hicks spent her childhood and youth in Wilberforce. Like many in the area she left here to work and marry, returning home for brief periods and vacations.

Hazel died in Peterborough on Monday April 4, 2011. She had spent many of her retirement years in Lindsay. On Monday April 11, her funeral service led by the Rev. Canon Anne Moore was held back home in Wilberforce at St. Margaret's Anglican Church where she had been baptised many years ago.

Condolences are extended to her daughter Carol Keehn Kezar, grandchildren Connie Kazar and William Keehn, great granddaughters Zahara and Amonica, sister Muriel (late Bill O'Neill), sister-in-law Jacqui (late Allan) Scott, her many nieces, nephews and friends. Hazel was predeceased by brothers Elmer (Marion Liscombe), Edward (Aileen Ackley), sisters Mary, Vivian (Jim Moore), Ruby and grandson Daniel Keehn. Following the service the family had a time of fellowship and refreshment in the Schofield Cameron room at the church. Interment will be later at the Wilberforce cemetery.

## Eileen Stamp celebrates 81st birthday

### West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper


705-754-2278

Eileen Stamp was treated to a birthday supper at the Kosy on April 12. It was her 81st birthday and Eileen was thoroughly delighted to be in the company of her daughters, Brenda Bain

and Robin Woodcock, her husband, Bob Woodcock, and Theodore Gross, Trevin and Tannis Bain-Gross. Greetings, Eileen, from your many friends and relatives in Guilford. May you be blessed with many other happy years to come!

Several Guilford residents are part of St. George's Anglican Church choir under the direction of Bill Gliddon, and therefore entered in the choral adult choirs section of the annual **see GUILFORD page 43**

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**Saturday, May 7th, 2011 at**

**McKecks, The Blue Line  
Highland Street, Haliburton**

**AGM will commence at 9:30 am**

Over the past few years significant progress has been made to upgrade our grooming equipment and make trail improvements during the "off season". Even though we have made progress in many areas, there is much more to accomplish.

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# West Guilford residents take part in music festival

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musical festival. Leslie Chumbley and son Christopher, Wayne Cooper, Judy Cole, Earl and I comprised the Guilford segment of the choir. Adjudicator Martin Elliott gave us very fair adjudication and encouragement for our choral efforts in the singing of Secure and Rise Up, Winter.

On April 14, our Highlands Concert Band performed John Williams and Perry Grainger pieces. Again, there was local participation in the persons of Bas Bouthoorn, Paul Irwin (who also performed in Bowed Well String Ensemble), Beth Johns (who also performed solo violin and in the string ensemble as well as in Algonquin Brass), and John Pugh as well as myself. Keith Burns has had to take time off from his tenor saxophone

playing in the band, but hats off to him for initiating the band nearly 10 years ago. It provided the impetus under Glen Carter's direction to bring the sound to what it is today. Judy Cole, expert musician that she is, joined us for this performance in the absence of two of our saxophone players.

Also from our area, Margaret Milne performed on viola with the Bowed Well Ensemble, Allie Paul sang Beautiful Candy from *Carnival* and Lauren Snelgrove performed Sonata in C minor, Etude in A minor and Etude in C minor on piano at a senior level.

On April 20 we'll hear selections from the festival at the highlights concert at the Northern Lights Pavilion at the high school. The vocal selections are outstanding and well worth the time to come and applaud these fine young singers.

Euchre scores for April 12: high scores – Maureen Laplante and Ray Campbell, low scores – Ruby Parcels and Ed Muenzel and most lone hands – Colleen Davison and Ron Bain. Specials went to Kay Morrison and Gerald Hadley.

## Natalie Wilson & Geoff Jackson Stag & Doe

Friday located at Tim  
April 22 & Paula Reids  
at 3pm - ? 1046 Pringle Rd

### SICK PRIZES

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## Highlands Summer Festival 2011

## HIGHLANDS Summer Festival

### Annual General Meeting

Wednesday April 27, 4 p.m.

Rails End Gallery, Haliburton

- Annual Reports • Election of Directors
- Financial Report

Everyone welcome. Only members can vote.

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Highlands Summer Festival  
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# community calendar



What's happening in the County

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• **April 19: Volunteer Income Tax:** at the Haliburton Legion Every Tuesday starting at 9am to 2pm for more information contact Marlene Watson @ 705-448-2266

• **April 20th & 27th TABLE TENNIS** Minden Community Center 1 to 3 PM Contact: Dave LEAR 705 457 4032 or Mary Martin 705 457 2260

• **April 20: Learn how to Garden & Preserve your Harvest** at the Wilberforce Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library at 10a.m.-12:00pm for more information call 705-457-2241

• **April 23: Maple Syrup Festival All you can Eat Pancake breakfast** 9am-2pm Located at the Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce Adults \$5. Children 10 & under \$3

• **April 26: Dental Day at the Minden OEYC** 10am – 1pm. A dental Hygienist from HKPR Dental Health team will be available for screenings RSVP 705-286-1770

• **April 26: Scottish Country Dance Group** at 7:30pm located at the Haliburton United Church

• **April 27: Spring into Action:** Get out and walk with Guest speaker Barb Rimmer, PT Arthritis Society located at the Haliburton Public Library 1:30pm

• **April 27: Haliburton County Historical Society** presents Speaker Hilda Clark Topic: tour of the 100th Anniversary of Wilberforce Public School and National Historic Red Cross Outpost Located at the Wilberforce Public School @ 1:30pm (Please Bring garden chair)

• **April 28: Planning for your child's education:** The Minden Branch of the Haliburton Public Library presents a series of financial Planning Workshops beginning at 6:30pm Pre-register for these free sessions by calling 705-457-2241

• **April 28: CFUW Card Party** at the Haliburton Curling Club at 12:00 pm. Cost is \$20.00/person which includes lunch and door prizes. Cash bar available. All card and game players are welcome. All proceeds to the CFUW Scholarship Fund. Contact Linda at 705 457-2064 for tickets.

• **April 30: SIRCH Hike for Hospice** Collect pledges on your own or get a team together and join us at Haliburton High School at 10:15 AM to register. Hike begins at 11 AM. Light refreshments, BBQ, draws, entertainment and awards for most pledges collected. 100% of funds raised stay in our community!

• **April 30: Seventeenth Annual Dinner/Auction** in support of The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development located at Galway Hall Doors Open at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 7:00 PM Tickets \$25

• **April 30: Lochlin United Church** offers a presentation of "An Evening of Gospel Music" at 7:30 p.m. Admission by donation. Located on Lochlin Rd. off Gelert Rd. County Road 1. Info: Bev. 705-286-6772

• **April 30: Haliburton Concert Series** presents Woodwind Quintette. Located at the Northern Lights Pavilion at 7:30pm The series is Adults \$50 Students \$25 \$125 for a family pass. Contact Brenda at 705-457-2695 or visit [haliburtoncs@blogspot.com](mailto:haliburtoncs@blogspot.com)

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Treasures N Trash** June 18, 2011 to help plan this year's community yard sale event in Head Lake Park Please contact Laurie 705-457-2330 [ralsendgallery.com](http://ralsendgallery.com) ;

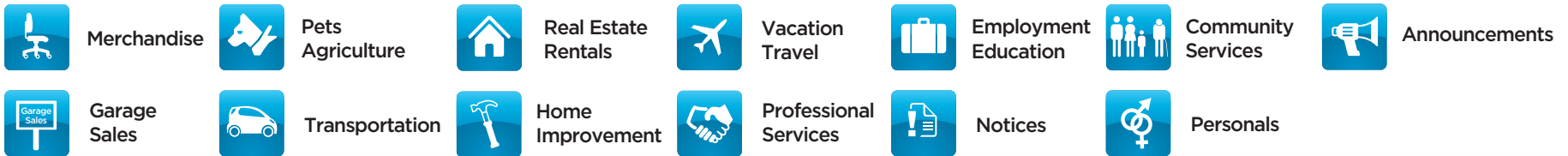
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**Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.**

**NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area.** Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.



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#### THANK YOU

On behalf of myself, Roberta Walsh and Dave and Jane Burton, we would like to thank the Firefighters from Highlands East Stations 1 - 6, 2, 3, and 4, Haliburton, and Minden for making the "Max Walsh Memorial Firefighters Bonspiel" such a success.

We Would like to thank the Doug Stevens and the Wilberforce Curling Club for the great ice and use of their club, Sally Stirling for keeping score all day, Sheila and all the volunteers to make this happen. Words can't express the joy and pride I felt to see this Bonspiel up and going again. Max would be so happy too.

Thank you Dave for having the idea to get it going again and all your hard work. The trophy is beautiful!!!

Jane – I couldn't have done it without all your support and help. Driving Miss Daisy, cooking and organizing. You are always there for me.  
THANK YOU!

Winners: 1st - Highlands East STATION 2  
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Good to see old and new Faces.  
See you next Year!

Roberta Walsh, Dave and Jane Burton

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We sincerely thank you, Dean, Freida, Ken and Families

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### Deaths

**COX, Mary Annie (nee Cowen) -** Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Friday, April 15, 2011. In her 95th year. Beloved wife of the late Lyman Cox. Dear mother of Ron (Shirley) Cox, Beryl (Goldie) Henderson, Shirley (Leo) Horsley, Basil (Theresa) Cox, Allan (Lyndell) Cox, Wayne (Lynn) Cox, and Ken (Carol) Cox. Loving grandma of 23 grandchildren, 45 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren. Predeceased by her sister Evelyn Hewitt-Gibson, brothers Jack and Vern, son-in-law Garth Horsley, and daughter-in-law Darlene Cox. Fondly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm. Then to the Minden United Church for the Funeral Service on Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 1:00 pm. Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (H.H.H.S.F.) or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.  
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## Obituaries

### LEWIS, Percy Lavern (Bernie)-

Bernie Lewis a resident of Wilberforce for the past 32 years passed away in Haliburton Hospital March 18, 2011 in his 92nd year after a short and courageous battle with cancer. Bernie was born on Sept. 8, 1919 in SS #4 Cardiff Township to Nelson Lewis and Blanche Suecie. He had lived most of his life in the Highland Grove and Wilberforce area. He was a dedicated and loving father. Mourning the loss of their father are Dean of Wilberforce and Freida and Ken of Huntsville. He will be lovingly remembered by his grandchildren; David, Laura, Julie, Alex and their spouses and great grandchildren; Jonathan, Nicholas, Heidi, Austin, Tana, Kena, Jace, Cara and Kade. Mourning the loss of their brother are Val and Ross and Guy and Joan of Omeme. He will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by Raymond, Carl and Jean.

Bernie entered the Canadian Army at the age of 22 and after 32 years of service, retired with a rank of Master Warrant Officer (WO2). He received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, the War Medal 1939-45, the United Nations Emergency Force Medal and the Canadian Forces' Decoration and clasp. He was stationed in Cobourg, Fort Churchill, Ottawa, Kingston and Toronto. He was in the Gaza Strip during 1963-64 where he served as a Peace Keeper. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, loved carpentry and in his earlier years loved to fish. He thought the world of his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and his cats.

The funeral was held at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home on March 23, 2011 at 11 am. Reverend Henry Morgan officiated. Pallbearers were; David Evans, Alex Evans, Jonathan Pond, Randy Lewis, Kevin Mumford and Ken Evans. Honourary Pallbearers were; Nicholas Pond and Larry Lewis. Internment to follow at Deer Lake Cemetery Highland Grove. Arrangements were entrusted to Haliburton Community Funeral Home.

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Sales numbered 113 units in March, a decline of nine per cent on a year-over-year basis. Some 236 residential properties traded hands in the first three months of the year, just two per cent below levels over the same period in last year.

The average price for waterfront sales was \$671,096 in March 2011, jumping 59 per cent from a year earlier.

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The dollar value of home sales in March 2011 totalled \$40.1 million, rising 13 per cent from year-ago levels.

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ciation's system numbered 708 units in March, down six per cent on a year-over-year basis. There were 1,499 active residential listings on the system at the end of March 2011, up one per cent from the same month in 2010.

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